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# EXHIBIT 2

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

BRIDGESTONE SPORTS CO., LTD., and  
BRIDGESTONE GOLF, INC.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

ACUSHNET COMPANY,

Defendant.

Case No. 05-CA-132 (JJF)

**INVALIDITY EXPERT REPORT OF  
DR. DAVID FELKER**

ACUSHNET COMPANY,

Counterclaimant,

v.

BRIDGESTONE SPORTS CO., LTD., and  
BRIDGESTONE GOLF, INC.,

Counterdefendant.

**IX. UNITED STATES PATENT NO. 5,803,834**

The '834 Patent discloses a two-piece golf ball. The patent claims that the ball has an optimized hardness distribution in the core and a desirable hardness difference between the core and the cover. Col. 2, ll. 22-23. Claim 1, the only claim asserted, reads:

A two-piece solid golf ball comprising a solid core and a cover enclosing the core and having a number of dimples in its surface, wherein

said solid core has such a distribution of hardness as measured by a JIS-C scale hardness meter that a surface hardness is up to 85 degrees, a center hardness is lower than the surface hardness by not less than 8 to less than 20 degrees, and a hardness within 5 mm inside the core surface is up to 8 degrees lower than the surface hardness,

said cover has a hardness which is higher than the surface hardness of the core by 1 to 15 degrees and a gauge<sup>17</sup> of 1.5 to 1.95 mm, and

the number of dimples is 360 to 450.

**A. The '834 Patent is Anticipated by Bridgestone's Precept EV Extra Spin Golf Ball**

Claim 1 of the '834 patent is anticipated by Bridgestone's own Precept EV Extra Spin golf ball. It is my understanding that Bridgestone sold the two-piece, EV Extra Spin golf ball in the United States as early as 1994,<sup>18</sup> and that a reference is prior art if it was sold in the United States more than one year before Bridgestone filed the application that resulted in the '834 patent (February 27, 1997). Therefore, it is my understanding that the EV Extra Spin is prior art.

I created a protocol for testing of prior art golf balls. Following my direction, engineers performed tests on six EV Extra Spin golf balls that Acushnet acquired in 1996. These tests were performed on equipment that I personally inspected, and it is my opinion that the tests were done properly. The tests results showed the EV Extra Spin golf ball to have the properties

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<sup>17</sup> As used in the '834 patent, the term gauge is equivalent to the term thickness.

<sup>18</sup> See AB 4601.

specified in the '834 patent. I have reproduced the raw data obtained by these tests below, as well as table containing my analysis of this data.

**1996 PRECEPT EV EXTRA SPIN MEASURED VALUES<sup>19</sup>**

Sample No.	1	2	3	4	5	6
Cover Thickness, in	0.073	0.072	0.074	0.072	0.072	0.072
Cover Hardness, JIS-C	86.8	86.2	87.0	87.1	87.1	86.6
	86.5	87.0	87.4	87.0	86.5	86.7
Core Surface Hardness, JIS-C	79.9	80	81.1	80.4	80.6	80.4
	80	80.4	80.1	78.1	80.1	80.2
Core Center Hardness	66.8	64.8	70.7	70.9	66.0	67.3
Hardness at 5mm	77.7	77.7	76.5	74.5	77.7	76.3
	78.6	76.9	77.6	76.7	77.0	76.5
	76.7	77.3	77.9	75.2	76.8	77.3
	78.1	77.3	77.0	75.9	76.7	77.6

**1996 PRECEPT EV EXTRA SPIN COMPARISON TO '834 PATENT**

Sample No.	1	2	3	4	5	6
Said solid core has such a distribution of hardness as measured by a JIS-C scale hardness meter that a surface hardness is up to 85 degrees,	80.0	80.2	80.6	79.3	80.4	80.3
a center hardness is lower than the surface hardness by not less than 8 to less than 20 degrees,	13.2	15.4	9.9	8.3	14.4	13.0

<sup>19</sup> This table shows the raw test data. Cover thickness was found by taking the difference in average diameter, measured at the pole and two equator locations for each golf ball, before and after the cover is removed. The results of two cover hardness measurements, measured once at each pole, are shown here. The results of two core surface hardness measurements, again taken once at each pole, are also shown. Core center hardness was measured once, at the core center. The hardness at 5mm was measured at four discrete points, each of which was 5mm from the core surface. When more than one measurement was taken, the average values are used in the calculations below. (See Ex. 24.)

Sample No.	1	2	3	4	5	6
And a hardness within 5 mm inside the core surface is up to 8 degrees lower than the surface hardness,	2.2	2.9	3.3	3.7	3.3	3.4
Said cover has a hardness which is higher than the surface hardness of the core by 1 to 15 degrees	6.7	6.4	6.6	7.8	6.5	6.3
and a gage of 1.5 to 1.95 mm, and	1.85	1.83	1.88	1.83	1.83	1.83
the number of dimples is 360 to 450.	392	392	392	392	392	392

My opinion, based on the results of these tests, is that the EV Extra Spin golf ball includes each and every limitation of claim 1 of the '834 patent, as follows:

- All balls had a core surface hardness of less than 85 degrees.
- The difference between the center hardness and the surface hardness for all balls was between 8.3 to 15.4 degrees.
- The hardness within 5 mm inside the core surface for all balls was up to 8 degrees lower than the surface hardness.
- The cover hardness was 6.3 to 7.8 degrees higher than the surface hardness of the core.
- The gauge was between 1.83 mm and 1.88 mm
- All the balls had 392 dimples.

It is my opinion that these tests accurately reflect the properties of the golf balls when they were sold. Like the Altus Newing Massy ball, the Precept EV Extra Spin is encased in an ionomer resin cover.<sup>20</sup> Such a cover would protect the core from the possible negative affects of moisture and oxygen permeation. Furthermore, the measurements obtained by my tests correspond with my understanding of the Precept EV Extra Spin's properties as it was originally

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<sup>20</sup> See AB 0044600

manufactured. For example, the Titleist and Foot Joy Competitive Ball Report, AB 0044585-622, shows the Precept EV Extra Spin as having a core center hardness of 67 degrees, and a core surface hardness of 79 degrees. These values correspond with the hardnesses reported in the table above. The average core surface hardness listed above is 80.1 degrees. The average core center hardness is 67.8 degrees.

As Bridgestone's EV Extra Spin meets all the limitations of the '834 patent, the golf ball anticipates the patent. Therefore, it is my opinion that the '834 patent is invalid.

**B. The '834 Patent is Anticipated by the 1993 Wilson Ultra Competition Golf Ball**

Claim 1 of the '834 patent is anticipated by the 1993 Wilson Ultra Competition golf ball as well. I understand that Wilson sold the two-piece Ultra Competition in the United States beginning in 1993. As Wilson sold this ball in the United States more than one year before Bridgestone filed the application that resulted in the '834 patent (February 27, 1997), it is my further understanding that the Wilson Ultra is prior art against the '834 patent.

I used the same testing protocol described above to have 1993 Wilson Ultra Competition prior art balls tested. I have reproduced below the data obtained by these tests for several balls that fell within the scope of the claims.

**1993 WILSON ULTRA COMPETITION MEASURED VALUES<sup>21</sup>**

	1	2	5	6
<b>Cover Thickness</b>	0.073	0.072	0.071	0.073
<b>Cover Hardness</b>	87.9	88.7	88.4	87.6
	88.1	88.1	88.6	87.1
<b>Core Surface Hardness</b>	80.4	79.6	80	80.3
	80.2	79.8	80.5	80.1
<b>Core Center Hardness</b>	66.3	68.4	69.7	65.4

<sup>21</sup> See Ex. 49.



<b>Hardness at 5mm</b>	74.5	74.7	74.7	75.4
	72.8	74.2	75.9	74.2
	74.7	73.9	76.2	75.1
	73	72.5	74.1	72.4

### 1993 WILSON ULTRA COMPETITION COMPARISON TO '834 PATENT

	1	2	5	6
said solid core has such a distribution of hardness as measured by a JIS-C scale hardness meter that a surface hardness is up to 85 degrees,	80.3	79.7	80.3	80.2
A center hardness is lower than the surface hardness by not less than 8 to less than 20 degrees,	14.0	11.3	10.6	14.8
and a hardness within 5 mm inside the core surface is up to 8 degrees lower than the surface hardness,	6.6	5.9	5.0	5.9
said cover has a hardness which is higher than the surface hardness of the core by 1 to 15 degrees	7.7	8.7	8.3	7.2
and a gage of 1.5 to 1.95 mm, and	1.85	1.83	1.80	1.85
the number of dimples is 360 to 450.	432	432	432	432

My opinion, based on the results of these tests, is that the Wilson Ultra Competition golf balls above include each and every limitation of claim 1 of the '834 patent, as follows:

- All balls had a core surface hardness of less than 85 degrees.
- The difference between the center hardness and the surface hardness for all balls was between 10.6 and 14.8 degrees.
- The hardness within 5 mm inside the core surface for all balls was up to 8 degrees lower than the surface hardness.

- The cover hardness was 7.2 to 8.7 degrees higher than the surface hardness of the core.
- The gauge was between 1.80 mm and 1.85 mm
- All the balls had 432 dimples.

As with the other balls discussed above, the Wilson Ultra Competition ball has an ionomer cover.<sup>22</sup> As already discussed, ionomeric covers serve as moisture and oxygen barriers, and protect the core from degradation. Moreover, my measurements correspond with my understanding of the Wilson Ultra Competition's properties as it was originally manufactured. For example the Titleist and Foot Joy Competitive Ball Report, AB 0044585-622, shows the Wilson Ultra Competition as having a core center hardness of 67 degrees, and a core surface hardness of 79 degrees. These values correspond with the hardness reported in the table above. The average core surface hardness listed above is 80.1 degrees. The average core center hardness is 67.5 degrees.<sup>23</sup>

As the above Wilson's Ultra Competition balls meet all the limitations of the '834 patent, the golf ball anticipates the patent. Therefore, it is my opinion that the '834 patent is invalid.

#### **X. UNITED STATES PATENT NO. 6,679,791**

The '791 patent is directed to a multi-piece golf ball. This patent asserts that the disclosed golf ball has improved flight distance, controllability, and feel. *See* Ex. 27, Abstract. The only difference between the '791 patent and the '707 patent, however, is that the '791 patent claims a hardness gradient of 22 and above.

Bridgestone is asserting Claims 11, 13, 16, and 26. Claim 11 depends from claim 1 and claim 26 depends from claim 24. Therefore, I have reviewed the validity of claims 1, 11, 13, 16, 24 and 26. Claim 1 of the '791 patent reads:

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<sup>22</sup> *See* AB 0044600.

<sup>23</sup> My opinion is also supported by data from Acushnet's competitive testing performed in 1993 when the balls were first examined. *See* AB 0004466-67. The average test value for core surface hardness in 1993 was 79 degrees and the average core center hardness was 67 degrees, which are comparable with the recently measured values.

**XI. CONCLUSION**

I reserve the right to supplement this report should new information come to light that bears on my opinions contained in this report. I reserve the right to supplement or modify this report, if appropriate, to the extent that new or additional information is provided. I also reserve the right to consider and comment on additional evidence that may be presented by experts for Bridgestone.

At trial or any hearing in this litigation, I may provide demonstrative aids, such as computer animations, excerpts from relevant exhibits, deposition testimony, and physical examples, to assist in explaining the subject matter discussed in this report.

Signed this sixteenth day of January, 2007.

/s/ David Felker

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**TAB 1**

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**2/01-present Owner, Sanford Rose Associates- Escondido**

- Retained executive search firm filling primarily Director to CEO positions in the Pharmaceutical and Biotechnology industries throughout the USA.

**1/01 – present Golf Ball Industry Consultant/Expert Witness**

- Provide technical advice and expert testimony in golf ball technology-related cases.
- Perform patent analysis and provide technical advice.
- Lead scientific efforts to demonstrate performance differences between golf products for the purpose of providing evidence to support the client's legal position.
- Perform/direct physical property testing and outdoor performance comparison testing efforts.
- Direct/perform statistically designed experiments and thorough analysis of data.

**Depositions:**

5/8/01 Callaway Golf v. Bridgestone Sports Co. Ltd., Civil Action No. 1 00-CV-1871-JEC

3/6/02 Callaway Golf Company v. Dunlop Slazenger Group Americas, Inc.  
Civil Action No. 01-CV-669 RRM

5/22/02 Callaway Golf Company v. Dunlop Slazenger Group Americas, Inc.  
Civil Action No. 01-CV-669 RRM

2003 Nitro Leisure Products, LLC v. Acushnet Company, US District Court Southern District of Florida, Case No. 02-14008-CIV-Middlebrooks

**Declarations:**

Callaway Golf v. Acushnet Company, 7/00

Callaway Golf v. Bridgestone Sports Co. Ltd., 8/00

Acushnet Company v. Nitro Leisure Products, LLC dba Golf ballsdirect.com and Second Chance, and Nitro Leisure Services, LLC dba Nitro Golf and Nitrogolf.com, US District Court Southern District of Florida, Case No. 02-14091-CIV-Roettger, 4/19/02

Nitro Leisure Products, LLC v. Acushnet Company, US District Court Southern District of Florida, Case No. 02-14008-CIV-Middlebrooks, 6/11/02

Nitro Leisure Products, LLC v. Acushnet Company, US District Court Southern District of Florida, Case No. 02-14008-CIV-Middlebrooks, 8/6/02

Nitro Leisure Products, LLC v. Acushnet Company, US District Court Southern District of Florida, Case No. 02-14008-CIV-Middlebrooks, 5/28/03

**Expert Reports:**

"Remanufactured Golf Ball Testing and Results", 4/18/02

Expert Report for Nitro Leisure Products, LLC v. Acushnet Company, US District Court Southern District of Florida, Case No. 02-14008-CIV-Middlebrooks, 7/8/03

**Courtroom Testimony:**

8/04 Callaway Golf Company v. Dunlop Slazenger Group Americas, Inc.  
Civil Action No. 01-CV-669 RRM

**12/96-10/00 Vice President of Research & Development, Callaway Golf Ball Company, Carlsbad, CA (Start-Up Company wholly owned subsidiary of Callaway Golf Company)**

- Charter member of executive team that built \$170 M Start-up Company from scratch.
- Designed and developed the entire R&D function and company's first products; \$6M R&D annual operating budget; jointly responsible for Golf Ball Company P&L.
- Lead the effort that produced four *Demonstrably Superior and Pleasingly Different* (DSPD) golf ball models: *Rule 35*, *CTU 30*, *CB-1* and *HX*". Total sales for these four products were \$55M in 2001. The Rule 35's performance set a new standard that stunned the golf ball industry. Additionally, the "HX" is revolutionary in that it is a "dimple free" golf ball.
- Lead the patent effort that enabled the introduction of patented products in an extremely crowded art; did so without legal issues at product launch.
- Inventor of golf ball/club products and golf ball manufacturing processes.

**PATENTS**

- 5,984,807 Golf Ball
- 6,200,512 Method of Manufacturing a Golf Ball
- 6,213,892 Multi-layer Golf Ball
- 6,245,386 Method and system for finishing a golf ball
- 6,390,932 Compliant polymer face golf club head
- 6,440,346 Method for making golf ball
- 6,607,451 Compliant polymer face golf club head
- 6,786,837 Golf balls and methods of manufacturing the same

**11/94-12/96: Technology Superintendent – Neoprene, DuPont Dow Elastomers, Louisville, KY**

- Responsible for: World-wide Neoprene Adhesives and Latex Development & Technical Services, Hypalon™ Adhesives Development & Tech Services, Louisville Manufacturing Technical Support (worlds largest polychloroprene facility), Capital Project Implementation (\$15-25M in capital projects/yr), World-wide Neoprene Research & Development, Technical support of Quality Control and Environmental Laboratories
- Directed 50 person organization; \$6M Technology Budget
- Leader of high priority Task Team of scientists from DuPont, DuPont-Dow Elastomers and various Universities working on the next generation process and products.

**9/91-11/94: Technical Area Superintendent - Neoprene, DuPont Company, Louisville, KY**

- Responsible for: Manufacturing Engineering & Process Support, Capital Project Implementation (\$10-40M in Capital projects/yr), ISO 9000 Certification, Quality Control and Environmental Laboratories, and Technical Computing Upgrade. Managed 16 person organization; \$2M Technology Budget.
- Working-Leader of International Task Team that solved 40 yr old Neoprene Quality/Manufacturing problem, delivering >\$10M/yr ATOI.

**9/90-9/91: Hypalon™ Technology Area Superintendent****Elastomers Division, DuPont Beaumont Works, Beaumont, TX**

Responsibilities same as 9/89-9/90 position plus responsible for :

- Research & Development of a CCl<sub>4</sub>-free Commercial HYPALON™ Process.
- Process development and production of chlorinated EVA/PE polymer in elastomer plant.
- Montreal Protocol liaison for HYPALON™ Business.
- Assembled and lead task team of scientists, lobbyists, and lawyers who developed and implemented a creative win/win solution to a HYPALON™ environmental problem that literally saved the business (\$>30M NPV). Received DuPont Board of Directors Award for preventing Shutdown of HYPALON™ Business.

**9/89-9/90: Hypalon™ Manufacturing Technology Area Superintendent**

- Managed group of 10 responsible for Plant Manufacturing Engineering, Capital Project Implementation, Technical support of Quality Control and Environmental Laboratories
- Received DuPont Award for increasing plant production of Cl-EVA 400% using fundamental process understandings and statistically designed experiments.

**9/86-9/87: Product Development Engineer: Nylon Compounding/Elastomer Toughened Polymers, DuPont Washington Works Plant, Parkersburg, WV**

Developed family of elastomer toughened/reinforced ZYTEL™ compounded products with super high flow properties. Responsible for plant engineering support for carbon black filled Nylon and polyester products.

**9/87-9/89 Manufacturing Engineer: DuPont Advanced Glazing Venture, Parkersburg, WV**

Part of Team that successfully developed and introduced the Anti-Lacerative Windshield™ and SpallShield™. Primarily responsible for pilot plant operation and managing contract coating operations with w/ Polaroid Corp, Custom Coating & Laminating Inc. and Rexham Corp.

**10/84-9/86: Research Engineer Long Range Research Group****Polymer Products Department, DuPont Experimental Station, Wilmington, DE**

Product and Process R&D focused on a ARYLON™ (new aromatic polyester targeted at the auto industry).

**EDUCATION:**

Aug 1984: Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa

Ph.D. Chemical Engineering. Thesis: Electrochemical dissolution of copper sulphide minerals using a Fluidized Bed Electrochemical Reactor.

Recipient of the Iowa State University Mining & Mineral Resources Research Institute Fellowship, 1981-1983. Overall G.P.A. 3.69/4.00

M.S. Chemical Engineering Aug 1982. Thesis work included experimental and mathematical studies dealing with the electrodeposition of copper using a fluidized bed electrochemical reactor. Overall G.P.A. 3.68/4.00

University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, Eau Claire, Wisconsin 1976-1979

Received B.S. in Chemistry May of 1979. Class work included advanced organic chemistry and several semesters of independent research. Overall G.P.A. 3.20/4.00

**OTHER ACADEMIC RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:**

1979--National Science Foundation Undergraduate Research Participant. Worked under the guidance of Dr. George A. Kraus, Department of Chemistry, Iowa State University. Research included the investigation of the reaction of dienolate anions with Michael acceptors.

1977-1979--Research Assistant at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire. Worked under the guidance of Dr. William C. Groutas. Research included the synthesis of functionalized alpha methylene valerolactones fused to substituted aromatic rings, pancreatic elastase inhibiting imidazole-N-carboxamides, and N,N'-ethylene bis [2(2-hydroxy-5bromophenyl)] glycine.

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The Metallurgical Society of the AIME Annual Meeting, Hyatt Regency Hotel, Atlanta, Georgia, March 6-10, 1983, "A Model for Predicting the Concentration-Time Relationship using a FBER", coauthored by David L. Felker and Renato G. Bautista, presented by Renato G. Bautista.

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Proprietary Presentations at DuPont Polymer Products Department annual TECH-CON, 1985, 1986.

Proprietary Presentation at DuPont Polymer Products Department annual Polymer Compounding Conference, Parkersburg WV, 1987.

**PERSONAL DATA:**

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Hobbies and interests include swimming, painting, hiking, skiing, tennis, flying military aircraft, golf and fly-fishing.

# EXHIBIT 3

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
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<b>ACUSHNET COMPANY</b>  Counterclaim-Plaintiff,  v.  <b>BRIDGESTONE SPORTS CO. LTD., AND BRIDGESTONE GOLF, INC</b>  Counterclaim-Defendant.	

**EXPERT REPORT OF EDWARD M. CAULFIELD, Ph.D., P.E.**

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## **REPORT OF EDWARD M. CAULFIELD**

### **I. INTRODUCTION**

1. My name is Edward M. Caulfield, Ph.D., P.E. I am President and Chief Technical Officer of Packer Engineering, Inc, a multi-disciplinary engineering consulting and technical services company with locations in Naperville, Illinois, Cincinnati, Ohio, Washington D.C., and Ann Arbor, Michigan. Packer Engineering offers a wide range of engineering, testing, and analysis services, including extensive work in the mechanical engineering and materials engineering fields.
2. I have been retained in this matter to evaluate golf balls manufactured by the Defendant, Acushnet, in connection with US patents 5,262,652; 5,553,852; 5,743,817; 5,782,707; 5,803,834; 6,634,961; and 6,679,791 (held by Bridgestone Sports Co., LTD) in conjunction with an investigation of patent infringement issues. Packer Engineering is charging my normal hourly rate of \$475.00/hour for my time spent in this matter and neither Packer Engineering, nor I have any financial or other interest in the outcome of this case or in any of the parties to this action.

### **II. QUALIFICATIONS**

3. I have a Ph.D. in Theoretical and Applied Mechanics, an M.S. in Theoretical and Applied Mechanics, and a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering in Machine Design.
4. I am a member of Sigma Xi (Scientific Honorary Society) and have published and/or presented numerous technical papers. These papers are listed in my curriculum vitae (CV) attached as Exhibit EX-1. I have also presented numerous seminars to audiences with a wide range of interests, a list of which is also set forth in Exhibit EX-1.

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5. I am a Professional Engineer registered in the State of Illinois and in the State of Florida, and I am also affiliated with the following professional organizations:

American Society of Mechanical Engineers  
American Society of Testing and Materials  
Society for Experimental Mechanics  
American Association for Automotive Medicine  
Society of Automotive Engineers  
Illinois Society of Professional Engineers  
National Society of Professional Engineers

6. Before joining Packer Engineering in 1979, I was an Assistant Professor in the Department of Mechanical Engineering at the University of Illinois and taught courses in dynamics, vibration, materials science and the design of machinery.
7. In my educational background and duties at Packer Engineering, I have developed a thorough understanding of the properties and behavior of materials and mechanical design issues. My personal practice involves the application of materials engineering and mechanical engineering principles to design review and evaluation, failure analysis, patent infringement analysis, accident investigation and reconstruction, and testing. Since joining Packer Engineering in 1979, I have consulted for a wide range of industrial clients, including golf equipment manufacturers, farm machinery and industrial equipment manufacturers and automobile makers.
8. Based on my education, training, knowledge of the literature, and professional experience, I am fully competent to testify regarding the subject matters of, among other things, the material properties and material property testing of golf balls including those material properties described and claimed in the patents at issue in this matter.



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9. Additional details regarding my qualifications and background can be found in my attached CV and Rule 26 list of cases in which I have testified (Exhibit EX-1)

### **III. MATERIALS CONSIDERED**

10. In addition to information as a result of my general background and experience, I have reviewed and asked my engineering staff to help in the review of materials relating to the patents-in-suit as listed in Exhibit EX-2. Exhibit EX-3 contains the testing standards utilized in the test protocols for this investigation.

### **IV. METHODOLOGY**

11. This investigation included the evaluation of a number of golf balls manufactured by Acushnet Company for their material properties and performance as related to the patents at issue in this matter. The Acushnet golf balls evaluated in this study included Titleist Pro V1, Titleist Pro V1x, Titleist Pro V1 Star, Titleist DT So/Lo balls, Titleist NXT, Titleist NXT Tour and Pinnacle Exception golf balls. All balls included in this investigation were obtained from standard retail outlets.
12. A number of evaluations related to the patents at issue were conducted on these golf balls. Determination of which material properties to be evaluated in this investigation was performed by Mr. Larry Cadorniga. In consulting with Mr. Cadorniga, I determined the manner in which these properties were to be tested. These material properties included hardness and specific gravity of the core, intermediate layer and cover, 100 kg distortion of the ball and core, thickness and diameter of various golf ball components and a rebound/drop test. Test protocols were developed for each specific test requested

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by Mr. Cadorniga. When developing these test protocols, I relied upon my background and personal experiences, as well as published testing standards by organizations such as The American Society of Testing Materials (ASTM) and Japanese Industrial Standards (JIS). Testing was conducted after a review of these protocols by Mr. Cadorniga. The test protocols developed and utilized in the evaluations of these golf balls are contained in Exhibits EX-4 to EX-12. The results of these evaluations are presented in the following section of this report.

13. The table below identifies the individual golf balls tested during this investigation. A “Golf Ball Model” designation was assigned to identify different versions of the same brand name golf ball manufactured by Acushnet. The model designation was necessary because Acushnet manufactures different revisions of golf balls under the same brand name. For example, as shown in the table below, Acushnet manufactured a total of four different versions of the Pro V1 golf ball. These four different versions are identifiable by the sidestamp markings on the side of the golf ball as well as the core color. In order to distinguish these different versions of the same brand name golf ball, “Golf Ball Model” designations were assigned to the different versions of the golf balls as listed in this table. For example, a P4 designation denoted a Pro V1 golf ball consisting of a green core and ◀Pro V1-392▶ sidestamp whereas a P3 designation denoted a Pro V1 golf ball consisting of a dark blue core and ◀●Pro V1 392●▶ sidestamp.

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Brand	Name	Sidestamp	Core Color	Golf Ball Model
Titleist	Pro V1	Pro V1 392*	Violet	P1
		◀Pro V1•392▶	Violet	P2
		◀•Pro V1 392•▶	Dark Blue	P3
		◀Pro V1-392▶	Green	P4
	Pro V1*	◀Pro V1* 392▶	Yellow/Blue	PS
	Pro V1x	◀•Pro V1x 332•▶	Orange/Blue	PX1
		◀Pro V1x-332▶	Dark Rd/Gray	PX2
	NXT	◀NXT▶	Dark Red	N1
		◀-NXT-▶	Red	N2
	NXT Tour	◀NXT•Tour▶	Royal Blue	NT1
		◀NXT Tour▶	Dark Green	NT2
		◀NXT-Tour▶	Black/Yellow	NT3
	DT So/Lo	DT So/Lo	Dark Orange	D1
		◀DT So/Lo▶	Aqua Blue	D2
Pinnacle	Exception	Pinnacle Exception	Light Green	E1
		Pinnacle	Light Blue	E2

\* Sidestamp "Pro V1 392" in the table above includes both versions of the Pro V1 golf ball bearing the sidestamp "Pro V1 392", Pro V1 392 and Pro V1 392 (stretched).

**V. RESULTS****A. Specific Gravity**

14. The results of the specific gravity testing for Titleist Pro V1x (models PX2 and PX1), Pro V1 (models P4 and P3) and Pro V1 Star (model PS) golf balls are shown in Exhibit EX-13, Table I, Specific Gravity Results for Pro V1x, Pro V1 and Pro V1 Star. For each individual ball tested, the specific gravity of the core, intermediate layer and cover were determined. All testing was performed in accordance with the specific gravity test protocol contained in Exhibit EX-5. Table I reports the average, standard deviation, minimum and maximum value of the specific gravity for each component from twenty-four (24) balls from golf ball models PX2 and P4. Twelve (12) balls were tested from golf ball models PX1, P3 and PS.

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### **B. Core Rebound**

15. The results of the Core Rebound testing for Titleist Pro V1x (model PX2), Pro V1 (model P4), NXT Tour (model NT3), NXT (model N2) and DT So/Lo (model D2) golf balls, sold in both the United States and Japan, are shown in Exhibit EX-14, Table II, Core Rebound Results for Pro V1x, Pro V1, NXT Tour, NXT and DT So/Lo. The rebound testing was performed in accordance with the rebound test protocol contained in Exhibit EX-6. The values reported in Table II contain the average, standard deviation, minimum and maximum values for the combined average values for each ball model. For this test a total of ten (10) cores were used for each ball model except the Pro V1 (P4) where twelve (12) cores were utilized. Each individual core was dropped three times and the results of these three drops were used to obtain the average rebound height for each individual ball. In five instances, only two drops were used to calculate the average rebound height.
16. In four of these instances, a difference of greater than 6.5 mm was observed between the lowest and highest rebound height value. In all four of these instances the low value was significantly different (lower) compared to the other two rebound heights and as such this low value was not used to calculate the average rebound height for that specific core. It is believed the core most likely grazed the 50 mm diameter ring gauge located at a height of 840 mm above the rebound striking surface during the tests which resulted in significantly lower rebound height values. As stated in the test protocol (Exhibit EX-6), the ball must successfully fall and rebound through this ring gauge to be a valid test.

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17. In the fifth instance, the test data from one drop of the core identified as P4.JPN.20 was not recorded correctly. An error occurred during the saving of the high speed video file from this specific drop.

**C. Ball and Core Compression – Distortion Under 100 kg Load**

18. The results of the compression testing, for determining the distortion under 100 kg load, for Titleist NXT Tour (models NT3 and NT2), NXT (models N2 and N1), DT So/Lo (models D2 and D1), and Pinnacle Exception (models E2 and E1) golf balls are shown in Exhibit EX-15, Table III Compression - Distortion Under 100 kg Load for NXT Tour, NXT, DT So/Lo and Pinnacle Exception. All compression was performed in accordance with the test protocol for ball and core distortion under a 100 kg load contained in Exhibit EX-7. Seventy-two (72) balls were tested from golf ball models NT3, D2 and N2. Forty-eight (48), fifty-two (52), twenty-three (23), twenty-one (21) and twenty (20) balls were tested from golf ball models E2, E1, NT2, N1 and D1, respectively. Each ball and core was tested one time. The data in Table III represents the average, standard deviation, minimum and maximum values for each model tested.

**D. Cover and IML Thickness – Pro V1, Pro V1x and Pro V1 Star**

19. The results for the cover and intermediate layer (IML) thickness testing for Pro V1x (models PX2 and PX1), Pro V1 (models P4, P3 and P2) and Pro V1 Star (model PS) golf balls are shown in Exhibit EX-16, Table IV, Cover and Intermediate Layer Thickness for Pro V1, Pro V1x and Pro V1 Star. As discussed in the test protocol (Exhibit EX-8), both the cover and IML thickness was measured at six random spots around the ball's

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circumference. The average of these six values was then calculated for each individual ball. Seventy-two (72) balls were tested from golf ball models P4 and PX2. Thirty-five (35), five (5), twenty-four (24) and forty-three (43) balls were tested from golf ball models P3, P2, PS and PX1, respectively. Exhibit EX-26 contains seven bar charts, six of which represent the number of balls as a function of average cover thickness for each individual ball tested for golf ball models PX2, PX1, P4, P3, P2 and PS, respectively. The last chart is a compilation of all the Pro V series golf balls (models PX2, PX1, P4, P3, P2 and PS).

20. Exhibit EX-27 contains seven bar charts, six of which represents the number of balls as a function of average intermediate layer (IML) thickness for each individual ball tested for golf ball models PX2, PX1, P4, P3, P2 and PS, respectively. The last chart is a compilation of all the Pro V series golf balls (models PX2, PX1, P3, P2 and PS) except golf ball model P4. Model P4 was excluded from the combined data since Acushnet manufacturing guidelines dictate the P4 model is manufactured with a larger IML compared to the other Pro V series models (models PX2, PX1, P3, P2 and PS).

**E. Cover Thickness – NXT Tour, NXT, DT So/Lo and Pinnacle Exception**

21. The cover thickness results for NXT Tour (models NT3 and NT2), NXT (models N2 and N1), DT So/Lo (models D2 and D1), and Pinnacle Exception (models E2 and E1) golf balls are shown in Exhibit EX-17, Table V, Cover Thickness Results for NXT Tour, NXT, DT So/Lo and Pinnacle Exception. As stated in the test protocol (Exhibit EX-8), the cover thickness was measured at six random spots around the ball's circumference.

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The average of these six values was then calculated for each individual ball. Seventy-two (72) balls were tested from golf ball models NT3, N2 and D2. Forty-seven (47), fifty-two (52), twenty-three (23), twenty-one (21), and twenty (20) balls were tested from golf ball models E2, E1, NT2, N1 and D1, respectively.

22. Exhibit EX-28 contains eight bar charts representing the number of balls as a function of average cover thickness for each individual ball tested for golf ball models NT3, NT2, N2, N1, D2, D1, E2 and E1, respectively.

**F. Core Hardness**

23. The core hardness results for Pro V1 (model P2), Pro V1 Star (model PS), NXT models (models N2 and N1), DT So/Lo (models D2 and D1) and Pinnacle Exception (models E2 and E1) golf balls are shown in Exhibit EX-18, Table VI, Core Hardness (JIS C) for Pro V1, Pro V1 Star, NXT, DT So/Lo and Pinnacle Exception. All core hardness testing was performed in accordance with the core hardness test protocol contained in Exhibit EX-9. For golf ball model PS, twenty-four (24) golf balls were tested and core hardness testing was only performed on the surface of the core.
24. Golf balls Pro V1 (model P2), NXT (models N2 and N1), DT So/Lo (models D2 and D1) and Pinnacle Exception (models E2 and E1) were all tested at the core surface and as well as at the core center. Sixty (60) balls were tested for golf ball models N2 and D2. Thirty-six (36), fifty-two (52), twenty-one (21), twenty (20) and five (5) balls were tested from golf models E2, E1, N1, D1 and P2, respectively.

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25. In Table VI, the average value reported for the core surface represents the combined average of all balls tested for each ball model tested. In accordance with the test protocol (Exhibit EX-9), hardness measurements were performed at five different locations around the core's circumference. An average core surface hardness value was then calculated for each individual ball. The combined average, standard deviation, minimum and maximum values reported for each golf ball model in Table VI were then determined from the individual ball average hardness values.
26. Two significantly different core colors were observed between balls from golf ball models E2 and D2. Group FF from golf ball model D2 had a dark blue core whereas the other D2 model balls had aqua blue cores. These darker blue cores (Model D2, Group FF) had a lower surface hardness compared to the other model D2 balls tested. The average surface hardness from nine (9) model D2, group FF balls, was 75.2 JIS C compared to the overall D2 model average of 82.1 JIS C.
27. Cores from group GG, golf ball model E2, also contained cores whose color differed from the other cores from model E2. These cores (model E2, group GG) were very light blue colored whereas the other cores from group E2 had a darker blue core. The surface hardness on golf ball model E2, group GG were lower compared to the other balls tested from model E2. The average surface hardness from nine (9) model E2, group GG balls, was 73.9 JIS C compared to the overall E2 model average of 79.1 JIS C.
28. In Table VI, the average value reported for the core center hardness represents the combined average of all individual balls tested for each ball model tested. In accordance



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with the test protocol (Exhibit EX-9), five hardness measurements were performed at core's center. An average core center value was then calculated for each individual ball. The combined average, standard deviation, minimum and maximum values reported for each golf ball model in Table VI were then determined from these individual ball average hardness values.

29. In addition to the core surface and core center hardness testing, twenty-four balls (24) from golf balls NXT (model N2) and Pinnacle Exception (models E2 and E1) and twenty-two (22) from DT So/Lo (model D2) were also tested for hardness using specimens prepared from the core's outermost 5 mm. This testing was performed in accordance with the "Hardness at 5 mm Within the Surface of the Core" section of the Core Hardness and Diameter Measurement Protocol contained Exhibit EX-9. In accordance with the protocol, these test samples extended radially from the core's surface to a depth of 5 mm below the core surface. On each ball, five hardness measurements were performed at the center of the plane representing a depth of 5 mm radially below the core surface. This hardness measurement represents the core hardness within 5 mm of the core surface.
30. In Table VI, the average value reported for the core hardness within 5 mm of the core surface represents the combined average of all balls tested for each golf ball model tested. The combined average, standard deviation, minimum and maximum values reported for each golf ball model in Table VI were determined from the individual ball average hardness values.

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31. The difference between the hardness at the core surface and hardness within 5 mm of the core surface was computed using the average hardness values at these two locations for each individual ball. Exhibit EX-29 contains four bar charts showing the number of balls as a function of the hardness difference between the core surface and material within 5 mm of the core surface for each individual ball tested for golf ball models N2, D2, E2 and E1. Table VI contains the combined average of this hardness difference for each golf ball model tested.

**G. Core Hardness Gradient – Pro V1x (PX2 and PX1)**

32. The core hardness gradient test results for Pro V1x (models PX2 and PX1) golf balls are shown in Exhibit EX-19, Table VII, Pro V1x Core Hardness Gradient (JIS C). Sixty (60) and forty-three (43) golf balls were tested from models PX2 and PX1, respectively. The surface and core center hardness testing was performed as described in paragraphs 25 and 28 above.
33. In addition to the surface and core center, hardness testing was also performed at a distance of 3.5 mm, 7 mm and 13.4 mm below the core's surface. In accordance with the test protocol (Exhibit EX-9), on each individual ball, five hardness measurements were performed at each of these locations. An average value was then calculated for each of the three locations for every individual ball. The combined average, standard deviation, minimum and maximum values reported for each golf ball model in Table VII were then determined from these individual ball average hardness values.

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34. Exhibit EX-30 contains sixty-one charts, sixty of which depict the core hardness gradient for each individual model PX2 ball tested. The final chart depicts the combined average core hardness gradient for golf ball model PX2. There are five points plotted on each of the charts representing the five hardness test locations described above.
35. Exhibit EX-31 contains forty-four charts, forty-three of which depict the core hardness gradient for each individual model PX1 ball tested. The final chart depicts the combined average core hardness gradient for golf ball model PX1. There are 5 points plotted on each of the charts representing the five hardness test locations described above.

**H. Core Hardness Gradient – Pro V1 (P4 and P3)**

36. The core hardness gradient test results for Pro V1 (models P4 and P3) golf balls are shown in Exhibit EX-20, Table VIII, Pro V1 Core Hardness Gradient (JIS C). Sixty (60) and thirty-five (35) golf balls were tested from models P4 and P3, respectively. The surface and core center hardness testing was performed as described in paragraph 25 and 28 above.
37. In addition to the surface and core center, hardness testing was all performed at a distance of 6.5 mm and 13 mm below the core's surface for model P4. Due to the P3 model's larger nominal core diameter, these dimensions were increased slightly to 6.6 mm and 13.1 mm for the P3 model. In accordance with the test protocol (Exhibit EX-9), on each individual ball, five hardness measurements were performed at each of these locations. An average value was then calculated for each of these locations for every individual ball. The combined average, standard deviation, minimum and maximum values reported

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for each golf ball model in Table VIII were then determined from these individual ball average hardness values.

38. Exhibit EX-32 contains sixty-one charts, sixty of which depict the core hardness gradient for each individual P4 ball tested. The final chart depicts the combined average core hardness gradient for golf ball P4. There are four (4) points plotted on each of the charts representing the four hardness test locations described in paragraphs 36 and 37 above.
39. Exhibit EX-33 contains thirty-six charts, thirty-five of which depict the core hardness gradient for each individual P3 ball tested. The final chart depicts the combined average core hardness gradient for golf ball model P3. There are of four (4) points plotted on each of the charts representing the four (4) hardness test locations described in paragraphs 33 and 34 above.

**I. IML Hardness – Packer Engineering Prepared Plaques**

40. The intermediate layer (IML) hardness test results, performed on Packer Engineering prepared plaques in accordance with Exhibit 11, for Pro V1x (models PX2 and PX1), Pro V1 (models P4 and P3), and Pro V1 Star (model PS) golf balls are shown in Exhibit Ex-21, Table IX, Intermediate Layer Hardness Results for Pro V1x, Pro V1 and Pro V1 Star (Packer Engineering Prepared Plaques). Seven (7), four (4), eight (8), three (3), and four (4) hardness plaques were prepared and tested in accordance with the Test Protocol for Intermediate Layer Hardness contained in Exhibit EX-10 from golf ball models PX2, PX1, P4, P3 and PS, respectively. IML test plaque PX1.TT was not utilized due to an

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uneven test surface. As such, only three test plaques were used in the values calculated for model PX1.

**J. Cover Hardness – Acushnet Prepared Plaques**

41. The cover hardness test results, performed on Acushnet prepared plaques, for NXT Tour, NXT and DT So/Lo golf balls are shown in Exhibit EX-22, Table X, Cover Hardness (Acushnet Prepared Plaques) for NXT Tour, NXT and DT So/Lo. The thirty-six (36) test plaques were identified with Bates numbers AB0087883 – AB0087918. All thirty-six (36) plaques were also identified with a hand written date of 7/23/2004 on the top side of each test plaque. Testing on these plaques was performed in accordance with the Test Protocol for Cover Hardness – Acushnet Prepared Plaques contained in Exhibit EX-11. The values reported in Table X represent the combined average, standard deviation, minimum, and maximum values determined from the individual plaque average hardness values.

**K. Cover Hardness – Packer Engineering Prepared Plaques**

42. The cover hardness test results, performed on Packer Engineering prepared plaques for NXT Tour (models NT3 and NT2), NXT (models N2 and N1), DT So/Lo (models D2 and D1) and Pinnacle Exception (models E2 and E1) golf balls are shown in Exhibit EX-23, Table XI, Cover Hardness (Packer Engineering Prepared Plaques) for NXT Tour, NXT, DT So/Lo and Pinnacle Exception. Packer Engineering prepared and tested three plaques from each ball model in accordance with the Test Protocol for Cover Hardness – Packer Engineering Prepared Plaques contained Exhibit EX-12. The values reported in

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Table XI represent the combined average, standard deviation, minimum, and maximum values determined from the individual plaque average hardness values.

### **L. Ball Diameter**

43. The results of the ball diameter measurements for Pro V1x (models PX2 and PX1), Pro V1 (models P4, P3 and P2), Pro V1 Star (model PS), NXT Tour (models NT3 and NT2), NXT (models N2 and N1), DT So/Lo (models D2 and D1) and Pinnacle Exception (models E2 and E1) golf balls are shown in Exhibit EX-24, Table XII, Ball Diameter Results.

### **M. Core Diameter**

44. The results of the core diameter measurements for Pro V1x (models PX2 and PX1), Pro V1 (models P4, P3 and P2), Pro V1 Star (model PS), NXT Tour (models NT3 and NT2), NXT (models N2 and N1), DT So/Lo (models D2 and D1) and Pinnacle Exception (models E2 and E1) golf balls are shown in Exhibit EX-25, Table XIII – Core Diameter Results.

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**VI. CONCLUSION**

45. I hereby declare under penalty of perjury that all of the foregoing statements are based on my personal knowledge and are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.
- If called upon as a witness, I could and would testify competently to the matters stated in this report.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "E. M. Caulfield". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large, prominent "C" at the end.

Dated: January 15, 2007

Edward M. Caulfield, Ph.D., P.E.  
President and Chief Technical Officer

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### **HONORS**

1976 - Award for excellence in undergraduate teaching, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (campus-wide)

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2000 - First TAM Distinguished Alumni Award for technical accomplishments in Theoretical and Applied Mechanics, and serving in a professional and technical capacity that reflects honor on the department and University, Department of Theoretical and Applied Mechanics, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

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1990 -1995	Packer Engineering, Inc. Naperville, IL Chief Operating Officer Executive Vice President
1986 - 1990	Packer Engineering Associates, Inc. Naperville, IL Vice President
1979 - 1985	Packer Engineering Associates, Inc. Naperville, IL Director of Mechanical Engineering
1975 - 1978	Structural Dynamics Research Corporation (SDRC) Cincinnati, OH  Consulting and seminar presentations Fatigue, Fracture Mechanics, Failure Analysis & Prevention
1975 - 1978	Consultant to members of Ground Vehicle Industry Fatigue, Fracture Mechanics, Failure Analysis, Dynamics of Machinery
1969 - 1972	Teletype Corporation Skokie, IL Cooperative Education

## NON-PUBLISHED CORPORATE REPORTS AND INVESTIGATIVE STUDIES

### Design

Machine design employing the multi-disciplined areas of ergonomics, materials and dynamic stress analysis to obtain minimum risk configurations.

### Accident Reconstruction

Analyzing numerous industrial, traffic, aircraft and structural accidents employing the principles of advanced dynamics and modern investigative engineering techniques.

### Industrial Machine Design

Evaluation of restraint systems and operator stations for industrial equipment from the biomechanical and ergonomic standpoints employing anthropometric test devices (ATD).

### Intellectual Property

Evaluation of numerous components, apparatus or machines for infringement or non-infringement of various patents.

Turbine/Generator Rotor Reliability Analysis

Probabilistic fracture mechanics, computerized finite element methods, empirical temperature data and practical experience incorporated to provide a criterion from which major utility companies may engage in an appropriate run-retire decision making process.

Fatigue Analysis

In-field strain histograms, material properties and simulated tests incorporated to determine the fatigue life of structural components. Suggestive alternative designs were presented to provide longer fatigue life in typical fatigue service applications.

Fracture Analysis

Determine cause of structural component fracture in the following disciplines: fatigue, brittle fracture, structural overload, corrosion, creep, etc.

Structural Analysis

Evaluate through analytical and experimental techniques the adequacy of various mechanical configurations designed for static load carrying capacity.

Material Properties

Evaluation of metallic, polymer, and ceramic material parameters such as modulus, hardness, fracture toughness, crack growth rate, strain-life curves for fatigue, creep properties, true/engineering stress strain curves for material selection purposes in commercial machine design and sporting goods applications.

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REINFORCED COMPOSITES"**

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STRAINS IN A RANDOMLY ORIENTED FIBER REINFORCED COMPOSITE WITH  
SPECIAL EMPHASIS GIVEN TO THERMAL STRESS SITUATION"**

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Law Firm: Wheeler Trigg & Kennedy P.C., Denver, CO  
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Law Firm: Snell and Wilmer, Irvine, CA  
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Law Firm: Quarles & Brady, LLP, Milwaukee, WI  
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Law Firm: Quarles & Brady, Milwaukee, WI  
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September 3, 2003, Wheaton, IL  
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as Legal Guardians for Christopher S. Donald, and Matthew Lake  
Case No. Civil Action No. 1:01CV408-JAD  
Law Firm: Watkins & Eager PLLC, Jackson, MS  
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September 5, 2003, Chicago, IL  
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Anne Marie Gibson, Deceased, and Artumus G. Gibson, Jr., as  
Administrator of the Estate of Anne Marie Gibson, Deceased v.  
Ford Motor Company, Draw-Tite, Inc., and William M. Burns, III  
Case No. Civil Action No. ST-00-CV-0111  
Law Firm: McGuire Woods Ross & Hardies, Richmond, VA  
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Case No. CV-03-1568 SJO  
Law Firm: Sughrue Mion Zinn et al, Washington DC  
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Case No. 02CV211111, Division 16  
Law Firm: Shook, Hardy & Bacon LLP, Kansas City, MO  
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Law Firm: Bowman and Brooke, Minneapolis, MN  
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Ford Motor Company  
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Law Firm: Cabaniss, Smith, Toole & Wiggins, Maitland, FL  
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October 20, 2003, Cedar Rapids, IA  
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Case No. C01-133MJM  
Law Firm: McGuire Woods Ross & Hardies, Chicago, IL  
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October 21, 2003. Kansas City, MO  
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Law Firm: Shook, Hardy & Bacon LLP, Kansas City, MO  
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and PlayMor Trailers, Inc.  
Case No. 02 CV 204007  
Law Firm: Shook Hardy and Bacon, Kansas City, MO  
Deposition Testimony

November 12, 2003, Clearwater, FL  
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Nissan North America, Inc. and Nissan Motor Co., Ltd.,  
Case No. 99-6596-CI-21  
Law Firm: Rumberger, Kirk & Caldwell, P.A., Orlando, FL  
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November 19, 2003, Chicago, IL  
Pollesche, Leslie and Daniel on behalf of Danielle  
Pollesche, a minor, and as surviving parent of  
Cassandra Pollesche, deceased; Wesley T. Nixon;  
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Ford Motor Company, Bell Ford, Inc., Xavier Ramirez,  
Jane Doe Ramirez, and John Does I-X  
Case No. CV2000-011238  
Law Firm: Snell and Wilmer, Phoenix, AZ  
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Law Firm: McGuire Woods, Richmond, VA  
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Civil Action No.: 2001-CP-23-7483  
Law Firm: Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP  
Deposition Testimony

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McCoy (Robert Edward) vs. American Honda Motor Co., Inc.,  
Honda Motor Company, LTD and Charles E. Jones  
Civil Action No.: 2001-CP-23-7483  
Law Firm: Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP  
Trial Testimony

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Chevez, Martha et al v. Ford Motor Company,  
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Does 1 to 200  
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Law Firm: Bowman and Brooke, Minneapolis, MN  
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Law Firm: Bowman and Brooke, Minneapolis, MN  
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Law Firm: Bowman and Brooke, Minneapolis, MN  
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Case No. EC032707  
Law Firm: Bowman and Brooke, Minneapolis, MN  
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a Delaware Corporation, Festus Ford, Inc., a Delaware Corporation  
and PlayMor Trailers, Inc.  
Case No. 02 CV 204007  
Law Firm: Shook Hardy and Bacon, Kansas City, MO  
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Jason and Suzie Schechterle, et al v. Ford Motor Company;  
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Case No. CV2003-003427  
Law Firm: Dykema Gossett, Bloomfield Hills, MI  
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June 3, 2004, San Francisco, CA  
Jarvis (Maria) individually and as personal representative  
of the Estate of Dennis B. Jarvis; the Estate of Dennis B. Jarvis;  
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Volkswagon of America; Volkswagenwek; Audi of America;  
Marc James Naify d/b/a J&L Auto Repair; and Does 1 through 50  
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Law Firm: Carroll Burdick & McDonough, LLP, San Francisco, CA  
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June 15, 2004, Wheaton, IL  
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Case No. 00-4045-CV-C-66BA  
Law Firm: Polsinelli, Shalton, Welte, Suelthaus PC  
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June 21, 2004, Oakbrook Terrace, IL  
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Case No. 4:00-1391-25  
Law Firm: McGuire Woods, Richmond, VA  
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July 9, 2004, Bloomingdale, IL  
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Law Firm: Swanson Martin & Bell, Chicago, IL  
Deposition Testimony

July 12, 2004, Lisle, IL  
St. Clair County, et al. v. Ford Motor Company, et al.  
Case No. 03-L-115  
Law Firm: Dykema Gossett, PLLC, Bloomfield Hills, MI  
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July 16, 2004, Wheaton, IL  
Wheeler (Randy Eugene) v. Ben Satcher Motors, Inc.,  
and Ford Motor Company, Inc.  
Case No. 01-CP-32-0656  
Law Firm: Cabaniss Smith Toole & Wiggins PL, Maitland, FL  
Deposition Testimony

August 10-11, 2004, Chicago, IL  
Automated Mechanical Transmission Systems  
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Components Thereof  
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Law Firm: Sughrue Mion PLLC, Washington DC  
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Law Firm: McGuire Woods, Chicago, IL  
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Law Firm: Sughrue Mion PLLC, Washington DC  
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Automated Mechanical Transmission Systems  
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Components Thereof  
Investigation No. 337-TA-503 (U.S. Int'l Trade Commission, Wash. DC)  
Law Firm: Sughrue Mion PLLC, Washington DC  
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September 24, 2004, Rosemont, IL  
Hardy (Richard M.) V. U.S. Foodservice, Inc., formerly  
PYA/Monarch, Inc., a Corporation, The Raymond Corporation,  
a corporation, et al.  
Case No. CV-02-1239-R  
Law Firm: Lightfoot Franklin & White LLC, Birmingham, AL  
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September 29, 2004, Naperville, IL  
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Company, f/k/a Aetna Casualty and Surety Company and  
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October 12, 2004, Redwood City, CA  
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of the Estate of Dennis B. Jarvis; the Estate of Dennis B. Jarvis;  
Carrie Ann Faraone; and James Pirnik, v. Audi AG et. al.,  
Volkswagon of America; Volkswagenwek; Audi of America;  
Marc James Naify d/b/a J&L Auto Repair; and Does 1 through 50  
Case No. CIV428481  
Law Firm: Carroll Burdick & McDonough, LLP, San Francisco, CA  
Trial Testimony

October 14, 2004, Bellville, IL  
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Case No. 03-L-115  
Law Firm: Dykema Gossett, PLLC, Bloomfield Hills, MI

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October 15, 2004, St. Louis, MO  
Galvan (Cruz Macias), individually and on behalf of the estate of  
Sergio Alberto Macias, deceased and Victorino Quiroga as  
next friend of Diego A. Quiroga, a minor v. David Garcia,  
Mercedes Garcia, Rodriguez Ford-Mercury, Inc.,  
Ford Motor Company, and TRW Vehicle Safety Systems, Inc.  
Case No. 2002-04-1485-B  
Law Firm: Snell & Wilmer L.L.P., Tucson, AZ  
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Law Firm: McGuire Woods, Chicago, IL  
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December 7, 2004, Wheaton, IL  
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Case No. 96-CI-00293  
Law Firm: Baker Donelson, Nashville, TN  
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December 28, 2004, Naperville, IL  
Coleman (Sandra) as Personal Representative of  
The Wrongful Death Beneficiaries of Randy Coleman,  
Deceased vs. Ford Motor Company, Premier Ford  
Lincoln-Mercury, Inc.; Mary Ruth Shelton, as  
Administratrix of the Estate of Janice Hudson, Deceased  
Civil Action No. 2002-0209-CV-1  
Law Firm: McGuire Woods, Richmond, VA  
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January 4, 2005, Chicago, IL  
Jablonski (Dora Mae) and John L. Jablonski, Jr. As  
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Law Firm: Dykema Gossett, Bloomfield Hills, MI  
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Case No. 012-08476  
Law Firm: Sandberg, Phoenix & von Gontard, St. Louis, MO  
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January 18, 2005, Philadelphia, PA  
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January 20, 2005, Knoxville, TN  
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Third Party Defendant  
Case No. 3:01-CV-415  
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February 8, 2005, Wheaton, IL  
Jablonski (Dora Mae) and John L. Jablonski, Jr. As  
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Law Firm: Dykema Gossett, Bloomfield Hills, MI  
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March 3, 2005, Beaver Dam, KY  
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Case No. 96-CI-00293  
Law Firm: Baker Donelson, Nashville, TN  
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March 18, 2005, Florence, SC  
Strickland (Zachary) v Ford Motor Company  
Case No. 4:00-1391-25  
Law Firm: McGuire Woods, Richmond, VA  
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March 21, 2005, Florence, SC  
Strickland (Zachary) v Ford Motor Company  
Case No. 4:00-1391-25  
Law Firm: McGuire Woods, Richmond, VA  
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Case No. 03CV215677  
Law Firm: Dykema Gossett, Bloomfield Hills, MI  
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Motor Company and Natalie S. Ingram  
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Law Firm: Dykema Gossett, Bloomfield Hills, MI

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May 3, 2005, Chicago, IL  
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Law Firm: Bowman and Brooke, Minneapolis, MN  
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June 1, 2005, Chicago, IL  
Smith (Micky) and J. Scott Brown as representatives  
of the Estate of Elizabeth Ashley Smith, Deceased  
and the Estate of Noah Scott Smith, Deceased;  
and J. Scott Brown as representative of the Estate  
of Thomas Ashton Brown, Deceased, Plaintiffs, and  
Marcus Allen Austin, Executor of the Estates of Milton  
Andrew Austin and Thelma Susie Austin, Intervenor-  
Plaintiffs v. Ford Motor Company; Reynolds Ford, Inc.;  
And Five Star Ford, Inc.  
Case No. CJ-2004-59  
Law Firm: Eldridge Cooper Steichen & Leach, Tulsa, OK  
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June 8, 2005, Kansas City, MO  
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Case No. 03CV215677  
Law Firm: Dykema Gossett, Bloomfield Hills, MI  
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July 6, 2005, Oakbrook Terrace, IL  
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Ford Motor Company; Pundmann Motor Company  
Case No. 022-09936  
Law Firm: Snell & Wilmer, Phoenix, AZ  
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July 21, 2005, Naperville, IL  
Eldridge, Savannah Georgia and David Eldridge,  
as Personal Representative of the Estate of  
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Robert J. Moore II, Deceased and 3CI Complete  
Compliance Corporation d/b/a American 3CI,  
Ford Motor Company and Taggart Motor Company,  
Defendants  
Case No. 03-5-12120  
Law Firm: Prichard Hawkins McFarland and Young, San Antonio, TX  
Deposition Testimony

August 9, 2005, Lisle, IL  
Caudill (Ronald and Jewell) parents and next friends of  
Jacob Caudill, a minor v. Amy Lea Sunday and Ford Motor Company  
Case No. CJ-2002-070  
Law Firm: Shook Hardy & Bacon, Kansas City, MO



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August 22, 2005, Pensacola, FL  
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Case No. 98-1000-CA-01 (Div. B)  
Law Firm: Cabaniss, Smith, Toole & Wiggins, Maitland, FL  
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September 1, 2005, Norman, OK  
Smith (Micky) and J. Scott Brown as representatives  
of the Estate of Elizabeth Ashley Smith, Deceased;  
and the Estate of Noah Scott Smith, Deceased;  
and J. Scott Brown as representative of the Estate  
of Thomas Ashton Brown, Deceased, Plaintiffs, and  
Marcus Allen Austin, Executor of the Estates of Milton  
Andrew Austin and Thelma Susie Austin, Intervenor-  
Plaintiffs v. Ford Motor Company; Reynolds Ford, Inc.;  
And Five Star Ford, Inc.  
Case No. CJ-2004-59  
Law Firm: Eldridge Cooper Steichen & Leach, Tulsa, OK  
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September 7, 2005, Norman, OK  
Smith (Micky) and J. Scott Brown as representatives  
of the Estate of Elizabeth Ashley Smith, Deceased;  
and the Estate of Noah Scott Smith, Deceased;  
and J. Scott Brown as representative of the Estate  
of Thomas Ashton Brown, Deceased, Plaintiffs, and  
Marcus Allen Austin, Executor of the Estates of Milton  
Andrew Austin and Thelma Susie Austin, Intervenor-  
Plaintiffs v. Ford Motor Company; Reynolds Ford, Inc.;  
And Five Star Ford, Inc.  
Case No. CJ-2004-59  
Law Firm: Eldridge Cooper Steichen & Leach, Tulsa, OK  
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September 21, 2005, Bristow, OK  
Caudill (Ronald and Jewell) parents and next friends of  
Jacob Caudill, a minor v. Amy Lea Sunday and Ford Motor Company  
Case No. CJ-2002-070  
Law Firm: Shook Hardy & Bacon, Kansas City, MO  
Trial Testimony

September 23, 2005, Chicago, IL  
Certain Automated Mechanical Transmission Systems for  
Medium-Duty and Heavy-Duty Trucks and Components  
Thereof  
Case No.: U.S. International Trade Commission Investigation No. 337-TA-503  
Law Firm: Sughrue Mion PLLC, Washington DC  
Deposition Testimony

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September 25, 2005, Naperville, IL  
Jenkins (Johnny Darryl) vs. Ford Motor Company, et al.  
Jenkins (Paula Knight) vs. Ford Motor Company, et al.  
Case No.: CV-04-114  
Law Firm: Huie, Fernambucq & Stewart, Birmingham, AL  
Deposition Testimony

September 29, 2005, Montgomery, AL  
Hardy (Richard M.) V. U.S. Foodservice, Inc., formerly  
PYA/Monarch, Inc., a Corporation, The Raymond Corporation,  
a corporation, et al.  
Case No. CV-02-1239-R  
Law Firm: Lightfoot Franklin & White LLC, Birmingham, AL  
Trial Testimony

October 3, 2005, Washington DC  
Paice LLC vs. Toyota Motor Corporation,  
Toyota Motor North America, Inc., and  
Toyota Motor Sales USA, Inc.  
Case No. 2-04CV-211 (DF)  
Law Firm: Kenyon & Kenyon, Washington DC  
Deposition Testimony

October 7, 2005, Washington DC  
Certain Automated Mechanical Transmission Systems for  
Medium-Duty and Heavy-Duty Trucks and Components  
Thereof  
Case No.: U.S. International Trade Commission Investigation No. 337-TA-503  
Law Firm: Sughrue Mion PLLC, Washington DC  
Trial Testimony

October 21, 2005, Lisle, IL  
Howell, et al v. Ford Motor Company  
Case No.: 04 CVS 107  
Law Firm: Dykema Gossett, PLLC, Bloomfield Hills, MI  
Deposition Testimony

November 15, 2005, Wheaton, IL  
Korpela-Jorgenson (Dylan), C.M. Bye, Linda Jorgenson,  
And Kids Care of Michigan v. Ford Motor Company, and  
Samantha Elliott  
Case No.: 04-CV-306  
Law Firm: Donohue, Brown, Mathewson & Smyth, Chicago, IL  
Deposition Testimony

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Case No. 04C50446  
Law Firm: Sughrue Mion PLLC, Washington DC  
Deposition Testimony

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**Testimony Record**

December 5, 2005, York, PA  
Keller (Christine) v The Raymond Corporation and  
Pengate Handling Systems, Inc.  
Case No. 97-SU-03400-01  
Law Firm: Lavin, O'Neil Ricci Cedrone & DiSipio, Philadelphia, PA  
Trial Testimony

December 6, 2005, Athens, GA  
Gibson (Artumus) Jr. as Surviving Spouse of  
Anne Marie Gibson, Deceased, and Artumus G. Gibson, Jr., as  
Administrator of the Estate of Anne Marie Gibson, Deceased v.  
Ford Motor Company, Draw-Tite, Inc., and William M. Burns, III  
Case No. Civil Action No. ST-00-CV-0111  
Law Firm: McGuire Woods Ross & Hardies, Richmond, VA  
Trial Testimony

December 15-16, 2005, Marshall, TX  
Paice LLC vs. Toyota Motor Corporation,  
Toyota Motor North America, Inc., and  
Toyota Motor Sales USA, Inc.  
Case No. 2-04CV-211 (DF)  
Law Firm: Kenyon & Kenyon, Washington DC  
Trial Testimony

December 28, 2005, Chicago, IL  
Williams (Shanti) as Personal Representative of the Estate  
Of Ronesshea Knight, deceased, Plaintiff, vs.  
The General Tire and Rubber Company, a foreign corporation,  
Continental Tire North America, Inc., a foreign corporation  
formerly known as General Tire, Inc., ("CTNA"), Century  
Products, Graco Children's Products, Inc., a foreign  
corporation, f/k/a Century Car Seats and Car Credit,  
a Florida corporation, and Sears Roebuck and Company, a  
Foreign corporation, Defendants.  
Pilcher (Lloyd) Plaintiff, vs. Gencorp, Inc., a foreign corporation,  
The General Tire and Rubber Company, a foreign corporation,  
Continental Tire North America, Inc., a foreign corporation  
formerly known as General Tire, Inc., Car Credit, a Florida  
Corporation, and Sears Roebuck and Company, a foreign  
Corporation, Defendants.  
Case No.: 04-2824  
Law Firm: Arnstein & Lehr, West Palm Beach, FL  
Deposition Testimony

January 10, 2006, Warrenville, IL  
Felipe (Julian) v Ford Motor Company, Inc., a Delaware Corporation;  
And Seagate Auto Brokers, Inc., a Florida Corporation  
Case No. 04-3864 CA 04  
Law Firm: Carlton Fields, P.A., Miami, Florida  
Deposition Testimony

January 19, 2006, Rosemont, IL  
Bynum (William D.) and Carolyn v. Ford Motor Company, et al.  
Case No. CV-2001-202-CV12  
Law Firm: Cabaniss, Smith, Toole & Wiggins, Maitland, FL

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February 9, 2006, New York City, NY  
Adams (Walter) v. Richard Rathe, Robert Rathe,  
Genie Industries, Inc., and Genie Industries, Inc.  
Case No. 116382/00  
Law Firm: Wilson, Elser, Moskowitz, Edelman  
& Dicker LLP, White Plains, NY  
Trial Testimony

February 17, 2006, Downers Grove, IL  
Clayton (Dee) et al v Utah Auto Collections,  
Warner Super Ford Store, Ford Motor Company  
Case No. 000909522  
Law Firm: Snell & Wilmer, Salt Lake City, UT  
Deposition Testimony

March 7, 2006, Chicago, IL  
Torres (Tania Cameal), Individually, and as  
Administratrix of the Estate of Ricardo Torres,  
Deceased, Plaintiff, v. Ford Motor Company,  
TRW, Inc., TRW Vehicle Safety Systems, Inc.,  
Boomershine Ford, Inc., and Atlanta/Southern Gold, Inc.,  
d/b/a Southern Comfort Restaurant & Lounge  
Case No.: 00VS-008220-H  
Law Firm: McKenna, Long & Aldridge, Atlanta, GA  
Deposition Testimony

March 22, 2006, Wheaton, IL  
Dewinne (Rene B. Jr.), Plaintiff v.  
The Raymond Corporation, N.J. Malin Holding, Inc., and  
Home Depot, USA, Defendant  
Case No.: GN 401898  
Law Firm: Fulbright & Jaworski, San Antonio, TX  
Deposition Testimony

May 4, 2006, Naperville, IL  
Knuckles (Hattie), as Guardian Ad Litem for Robert H. Knuckles,  
And Individually, Plaintiffs, v. Toyota Motor Corporation,  
Toyota Motor Sales USA, Inc., Tokai Rika Co. Ltd., and  
Signal Imports, Inc., Defendants  
Case No. 2004-CP-42-201  
Case No. 2004-CP-42-200  
Law Firm: Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough, Atlanta, GA  
Deposition Testimony

May 16, 2006, Chicago, IL  
Eaton Corporation, Plaintiff, v.  
ZF Meritor LLC, Arvinmeritor, Inc. and  
ZF Friedrichshafen AG, Defendants  
Case No. 03-74844  
Law Firm: Sughrue Mion Zinn et. al., Washington DC  
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May 24, 2006, Chicago, IL  
Eaton Corporation, Plaintiff, v.  
ZF Meritor LLC, Arvinmeritor, Inc. and  
ZF Friedrichshafen AG, Defendants  
Case No. 03-74844  
Law Firm: Sughrue Mion Zinn et. al., Washington DC  
Deposition Testimony (continued)

May 26, 2006, Los Angeles, CA  
Delloro (Winfred and Celina), Plaintiffs, vs.  
Enterprise Rent-A-Car of Los Angeles, a Nevada Corporation, et al.  
(General Motors)  
Case No. BC328314  
Law Firm: Dykema Gossett, LLP, Los Angeles, CA  
Deposition Testimony

June 7, 2006, Lisle, IL  
Early (David), Administrator of the Estate of  
Joshua Early, Deceased and Karen Mullins,  
Administratrix of the Estate of Timothy Mullins,  
Deceased  
Case No. 3:04-CV-251-5  
Law Firm: Woodward Hobson & Fulton LLP, Louisville, KY  
Deposition Testimony

June 30, 2006, Aurora, IL  
Dolan (Kathleen), Individually and as  
Personal Representative of the Estate  
Of Mary Anne Torpey, Deceased,  
Joan Gorman, Bonnie Polt, Individually  
And as Next Friend of Glen Polt, Jr.,  
Glen Polt and Kristin Polt, Plaintiffs,  
v. Ford Motor Company, Inc., Jerome Duncan  
(Ford Dealership) and Peggy Thompson,  
Defendants  
Case No. 04-3074-N1  
Law Firm: Bowman and Brooke, Minneapolis, MN

August 9, 2006, Los Angeles, CA  
Delloro (Winfred and Celina), Plaintiffs, vs.  
Enterprise Rent-A-Car of Los Angeles, a Nevada Corporation, et al.  
(Michelin North America Inc.)  
Case No. BC328314  
Law Firm: Yukevich Calfo & Cavanaugh, Los Angeles, CA  
Trial Testimony

August 29, 2006, Washington DC  
Eaton Corporation, Plaintiff, v.  
ZF Meritor LLC, Arvinmeritor, Inc. and  
ZF Friedrichshafen AG, Defendants  
Case No. 03-74844  
Law Firm: Sughrue Mion Zinn et. al., Washington DC  
Hearing Testimony

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September 12, 2006, Wheaton, IL  
Borsack (Ronald), Individually and as Administrator of  
The Estate of Lesley Borsack, Plaintiff, against  
Ford Motor Company, a Delaware Corporation,  
Defendant  
Case No. 04-CV-3255  
Law Firm: Aaronson, Rappaport, Feinstein & Deutsch, LLP, New York NY  
Deposition Testimony

September 14, 2006, Irvine, CA  
Justice (Gloria), Plaintiff, vs. Clark County Airline,  
Ford Motor Company, etc., et al., Defendants  
Case No. BCV 06005  
Law Firm: Snell & Wilmer, Costa Mesa, CA  
Deposition Testimony

September 22, 2006, Wheaton, IL  
Allison (Shannon) et al v. Ford Motor Company  
Case No. CV-2005-668  
Law Firm: Snell and Wilmer, Salt Lake City, UT  
Deposition Testimony

October 19-20, 2006, Lisle, IL  
Certain Combination Motor and Transmission  
Systems and Devices Used Therein, and  
Products Containing the Same  
(Solomon Technologies v Toyota Motor Corporation),  
U.S. International Trade Commission Investigation No. 337-TA-561  
Law Firm: Finnegan, Henderson et al, Washington DC  
Deposition Testimony

November 9-10, 2006, Washington DC  
Certain Combination Motor and Transmission  
Systems and Devices Used Therein, and  
Products Containing the Same  
(Solomon Technologies v Toyota Motor Corporation),  
U.S. International Trade Commission Investigation No. 337-TA-561  
Law Firm: Finnegan, Henderson et al, Washington DC  
Trial Testimony

December 7, 2006, Clinton Township, MI  
Dolan (Kathleen), Individually and as  
Personal Representative of the Estate  
Of Mary Anne Torpey, Deceased,  
Joan Gorman, Bonnie Polt, Individually  
And as Next Friend of Glen Polt, Jr.,  
Glen Polt and Kristin Polt, Plaintiffs,  
v. Ford Motor Company, Inc., Jerome Duncan  
(Ford Dealership) and Peggy Thompson,  
Defendants  
Case No. 04-3074-N1  
Law Firm: Bowman and Brooke, Minneapolis, MN  
Trial Testimony

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**Testimony Record**

December 20, 2006, San Francisco, CA  
Pitts v. Ford  
Case No. FCS026087  
Law Firm: Bowman & Brooke, San Jose, CA  
Deposition

January 4, 2007, Naperville, Illinois  
Lum v. Mercedes Benz  
Case No. 3:05 CV7191  
Law Firm: Carroll Burdick & McDonough, San Francisco, CA  
Deposition

January 9, 2007, Natchez, Mississippi  
Yancy (Raymond) v. Ford Motor Company, Inc.  
Case No. 02-KV-0272S  
Law Firm: McGuire Woods, Richmond Virginia  
Deposition

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**Protocol for Core Hardness and Diameter Measurements**

This protocol describes the steps to be taken for accurately measuring the hardness at different locations on and inside of the golf ball core. The core hardness test method is in accordance with JIS K6301 – Physical Testing Methods for Testing Vulcanized Rubbers and JIS K6253 – Hardness Testing Methods for Rubber, Vulcanized or Thermoplastic, copies of which are attached as Exhibits C and D, unless otherwise specified.

**CORE DIAMETER**

**BALLS:** Pro V1, Pro V1x, Pro V1\*, NXT, NXT Tour, DT So/Lo, and Exception

1. Randomly select golf balls of a single type and record all required information as set forth in the GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS.
2. Remove the outer cover and intermediate layers (if present) of the golf ball by using a side cutter. The cutting tool should be advanced into the ball at small increments to ensure that the core is not scarred or scarring is at a minimum.
  - a. Prior to cutting remove the cover, refer to photographs of the subject golf ball specimen sectioned in half, or a data chart, to determine the core color, and ball structure. This will notify operator of a possible intermediate layer, and aid in identifying when the operator is close to the core surface.
  - b. NOTE: All Pro V1, Pro V1x and Pro V1\* golf balls will have a clear intermediate layer before the core. All NXT, NXT Tour, DT So/Lo and Pinnacle Exception golf balls will only have a cover before the core.
3. Manually peel the cover and intermediate layer, if present, of the golf ball to expose the solid core.

ONCE THE CORE IS EXPOSED ALL OF THE FOLLOWING HARDNESS TESTING FOR THE CORE SURFACE MUST BE COMPLETED WITHIN 24 HOURS.

4. Mark or placard each of the separated components (core, cover and intermediate layer) with the serial number of the golf ball. Place each of the marked or placarded cover and intermediate layer sections in individual packaging marked with the ball serial number.
5. Closely examine the core surface adjacent to the cutting tool path to determine if the core surface was scarred or otherwise nicked by the cutting tool.

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- a. No testing of the core surface hardness can take place within 20 degrees of the surface scarring.
6. Using a digital height gauge measure and record the outermost diameter of the core at five (5) randomly selected core orientations, not within 30 degrees of each other. Further, the core diameter measurement cannot take place where the core has been nicked or scarred.
  - a. Prior to making any measurements, the accuracy of the height gauge must be verified using a certified gauge block.
7. Using the determined average core diameter of each core calculate the standard deviation of the averages.

**CORE SURFACE HARDNESS**

This test is required to be performed on all NXT, NXT Tour, DT So/Lo, Pinnacle Exception and Pro V1 golf balls. The core hardness test method is in accordance with JIS K6301 – Physical Testing Methods for Testing Vulcanized Rubbers and JIS K6253 – Hardness Testing Methods for Rubber, Vulcanized or Thermoplastic, unless otherwise specified.

**BALLS:** Pro V1, Pro V1x, Pro V1\*, NXT, DT So/Lo, and Exception

8. Verify hardness tester accuracy by performing hardness testing on calibration block.
  - a. Hardness results performed on the calibration block must be within the limits specified on the calibration block.
  - b. If the machine is not in calibration do not continue.
9. Perform hardness measurements in the JIS C hardness scale at five (5) locations on the surface of the ball. Each of the five points are to be randomly selected and are to be marked to identify the location of the hardness test. The hardness measurement points must not be within 20 degrees of each other, and are not to have any scarring or nicks. Further, at each of the five locations five (5) individual and discrete measurements are to be taken.
  - a. The JIS C testing should be in accordance with the JIS K6301 standards. It is recognized that the core is a round surface, however, this deviation from the hardness standard is acceptable.
  - b. Confirm the highest point of the core is the point that is being tested. The presser foot of the indenter must not contact the core's surface until the indenter is completely immersed into the material.

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- c. The locations of the hardness measurement points are to be selected taking into account the protocol set forth below regarding testing at 5 mm within the surface of the core, so as to minimize the number of measurement points which are permanently lost when that protocol is performed.
10. Record each individual measurement in a data table and calculate an average for each of the five locations tested. Using these five averages calculate a core surface hardness average. Record the averages in the data table.
11. Using the determined average hardness at the surface of each core calculate the standard deviation of the averages.

**HARDNESS AT 5MM WITHIN THE SURFACE OF THE CORE**

This test is only required to be performed on NXT, DT So/Lo and Pinnacle Exception golf balls, and is not to be performed on any Pro V1 golf balls. The core hardness test method is in accordance with JIS K6301 – Physical Testing Methods for Testing Vulcanized Rubbers and JIS K6253 – Hardness Testing Methods for Rubber, Vulcanized or Thermoplastic, unless otherwise specified.

**BALLS:** NXT, DT So/Lo, and Exception

12. Remove cover in accordance with Steps 2 and 3 above.
13. Select a portion of the core to be tested, preferably not resulting in the removal or discarding any core surface hardness testing locations.
14. Machine gripping surfaces or slots in the core opposite from the selected portion of the core to be tested, as described in other testing protocols so as to allow for the secure gripping of the core.
15. Use a band saw to cut off the selected portion of the core (selected in Step 12) at a point at least 8 mm from the surface of the core, so as to create a specimen which is at least 8 mm in thickness at its deepest point.
  - a. Store the remaining core section in a sealed, evacuated container/package so as to limit exposure to the atmosphere, and place with the remaining ball components from the golf ball tested.
16. Secure the specimen created in Step 14 in a Bridgeport, or comparable, end-mill device in such a way to ensure the specimen is secure while minimizing squeezing and distorting the specimen. The specimen is to be secured such that the surface cut by the band saw is facing the end-mill tooling (i.e. curved surface away), and the surface is level.

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ONCE THE FOLLOWING MACHINING PROCESS BEGINS ALL OF THE FOLLOWING HARDNESS PROTOCOL FOR 5 MM WITHIN THE CORE SURFACE MUST BE COMPLETED WITHIN 24 HOURS.

17. Using the Bridgeport, or comparable, end-mill machine, machine off the cut surface of the specimen in multiple passes. The depth of each pass is to minimal such that the specimen is not destroyed during the process or dislodged from the end-mill gripping vise.
  - a. A cutting head and cutting speed must be used to minimize burrs and heat generation during the machining process.
  - b. At least 10 seconds should elapse between each machining pass to allow for heat dissipation.
18. The amount of material to be removed is to result with a test specimen which is 5 mm thick at its thickest point.
  - a. As the 5 mm limit is approached the depth of each pass is to be reduced to a depth of no more than 0.05 mm. This will ensure minimal damage and scarring to the surface of the specimen.
  - b. At least 10 seconds should elapse between each machining pass to allow for heat dissipation.
  - c. The tolerance of the thickness of the specimen, at its thickest point is 5 mm +/- 0.2 mm. If the amount of removed material is within this tolerance, the test may proceed.
19. Inspect the machined surface of the test specimen. If the surface is smooth testing may proceed. If the test surface is not smooth it is to be hand buffed to provide a smooth surface.
20. Record the height of the test specimen.
  - a. The tolerance of the 5 mm thickness is +/- 0.2 mm. If the amount of removed material is within this tolerance, the test may proceed.
  - b. If the test specimen is not within this tolerance, but is within an additional +/- 0.2 mm, the specimen may be tested but its non-compliance with the above tolerance is to be recorded.
  - c. Locate and identify the center of the machined surface.
21. Verify hardness tester accuracy by performing hardness testing on calibration block.

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- a. Hardness results performed on the calibration block must be within the limits specified on the calibration block.
  - b. If the machine is not in calibration do not continue, and calibrate machine accordingly.
22. Perform hardness test in accordance with JIS C standard at the center of the machined surfaces. Five (5) separate and discrete tests are to be done at the center of each of the machined surfaces.
  23. Record each of the (five) 5 measurements, for each side, and determine and record an average of the (five) 5 measurements, for each side. Each data point is to be recorded.
  24. Determine and record a core hardness average by calculating an average based on the averages from each respective milled surfaces.
  25. Store the tested specimen in a sealed, evacuated container/package so as to limit exposure to the atmosphere, and place with the remaining ball components from the golf ball tested.
  26. Using the determined average hardness at 5 mm within the surface of each core calculate the standard deviation of the averages.

**CORE CENTER HARDNESS:**

This test is required to be performed on all NXT, DT So/Lo, Pinnacle Exception and Pro V1 golf balls. The core hardness test method is in accordance with JIS K6301 – Physical Testing Methods for Testing Vulcanized Rubbers and JIS K6253 – Hardness Testing Methods for Rubber, Vulcanized or Thermoplastic, unless otherwise specified.

**BALLS:** Pro V1, Pro V1x, Pro V1\*, NXT, DT So/Lo, and Exception

27. Repeat Steps 1 through 6 above on randomly selected golf balls; OR
  - a. For NXT, NXT Tour, DT So/Lo and Pinnacle Exception golf balls, it is possible to use the twelve (12) cores from Steps 1-11.<sup>1</sup>

**ONCE THE FOLLOWING MACHINING PROCESS BEGINS ALL OF THE FOLLOWING HARDNESS PROTOCOL FOR CORE CENTER HARDNESS MUST BE COMPLETED WITHIN 24 HOURS.**

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<sup>1</sup> For Pro V1 model golf balls the protocol for Core Hardness Distribution may be conducted first, followed by the protocol for measuring core center hardness.

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28. Using the Bridgeport, or comparable, end-mill machine, machine off the section of the core selected for removal to a depth within 0.3 to 0.4 mm above the calculated center of the core.
  - a. The entire depth of removed material should not be machined off in one pass, but a plurality of passes not exceeding a depth of 1 mm is to be used.
  - b. A cutting head and cutting speed must be used to minimize burrs and heat generation during the machining process.
  - c. At least 10 seconds should elapse between each machining pass to allow for heat dissipation.
29. To reach the final depth of the core center, the machined surface is to be buffed with no GREATER than 220 grit sandpaper, or comparable abrasive, to provide smooth surface free of machining marks and/or grooves. The buffing step must be done at a slow speed to minimize heat generation at the surface of the core, and a depth of no more than 0.05 mm for any one pass.
  - a. At least 10 seconds should elapse between each machining pass to allow for heat dissipation.
30. Locate and identify the center of the machined surface.
31. Record the new ball diameter.
32. The tolerance of the center of the core is +/- 0.2 mm. If the amount of removed material is within this tolerance, the test may proceed.
33. Verify hardness tester accuracy by performing hardness testing on calibration block.
  - a. Hardness results performed on the calibration block must be within the limits specified on the calibration block.
  - b. If the machine is not in calibration do not continue, and calibrate machine accordingly.
34. Perform hardness test in accordance with JIS C standard at the center of the machined surface. Five (5) separate and discrete tests are to be done at the center of the machined surface.
35. Record each of the (five) 5 measurements and determine and record an average of the (five) 5 measurements.

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36. Store the remaining core section in a sealed, evacuated container/package so as to limit exposure to the atmosphere, and place with the remaining ball components from the golf ball tested.
- a. The cores of the Pro V1 model golf balls may be used in the following protocol for CORE HARDNESS DISTRIBUTION. If this is done the CORE HARDNESS DISTRIBUTION test must be done within 24 hours of exposure of the center of the core.
37. Using the determined average hardness at the center of the core calculate the standard deviation of the averages.

**CORE HARDNESS GRADIENT:**

This test is required to be performed on all Pro V1 and Pro V1x<sup>2</sup> model golf balls and is not to be performed on any of the NXT, NXT Tour, DT So/Lo, and Pinnacle Exception golf balls. The core hardness test method is in accordance with JIS K6301 – Physical Testing Methods for Testing Vulcanized Rubbers and JIS K6253 – Hardness Testing Methods for Rubber, Vulcanized or Thermoplastic, unless otherwise specified.

BALLS: Pro V1 and Pro V1x

**PRO V1**

38. For **Pro V1** model golf balls, using the calculated diameter of the core from Steps 1 through 6, calculate the core radius and divide the radius into three (3) equidistant sections, which identifies two (2) evenly spaced points between the core center and the core surface along a single radial line to the surface.
- a. Record the core radius and measurement for the equidistant sections.
- b. Each of the evenly spaced points represent measurement depths for the core hardness distribution. The outermost point is the first measurement depth and the innermost point (not the center) is the second measurement point.
39. The core surface hardness is to be measured and recorded in accordance with the Core Surface Hardness protocol, set forth above.
40. Select a portion of the core to be removed, and mark the surface of the core.
41. Mount the core on a platen surface of a Bridgeport, or comparable, end-mill machine, using a mounting structure which minimizes squeeze of the core, while maintaining the core in a fixed position. The area marked in Step 40 shall be facing vertically and represent the highest point on the core's circumference.

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<sup>2</sup> The protocol for the Pro V1x is different from that of the Pro V1, as set forth herein.



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ONCE THE FOLLOWING MACHINING PROCESS BEGINS ALL OF THE FOLLOWING HARDNESS PROTOCOL MUST BE COMPLETED WITHIN 24 HOURS.

42. Using the Bridgeport, or comparable, end-mill machine, machine off the section of the core selected for removal to a depth of 0.3 to 0.4 mm above the first measurement depth of the core.
  - a. The entire depth should not be machined off in one pass, but a plurality of passes in which a set depth of material is removed in each pass. As the desired cut depth approaches each pass should not exceed a depth of more than 1 mm to ensure accuracy.
  - b. A cutting head and cutting speed must be used to minimize burrs and heat generation during the machining process.
  - c. At least 10 seconds should elapse between each machining pass to allow for heat dissipation.
43. To reach the final depth of the first measurement depth, the machined surface is to be buffed with no GREATER than 220 grit sandpaper, or comparable abrasive, to provide smooth surface free of machining marks and/or grooves. The buffing step must be done at a slow speed to minimize heat generation at the surface of the core, and a depth of no more than 0.05 mm for any one pass.
  - a. At least 10 seconds should elapse between each machining pass to allow for heat dissipation.
44. Locate and identify the center of the first measurement surface and mark the center
45. Record the new ball diameter.
  - a. The tolerance of the first measurement surface is +/- 0.2 mm. If the amount of material removed is within this tolerance, the test may proceed.
46. At a position 180 degrees from the first measurement surface, create the second measurement surface (from the results in Step 38b) repeating Steps 42 through 44 above.
47. Locate and identify the center of the second measurement surface and mark the center.
48. Record the new ball diameter.
  - a. The tolerance of the second measurement surface is +/- 0.2 mm. If the amount of material removed is within this tolerance, the test may proceed.



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49. Verify hardness tester accuracy by performing hardness testing on calibration block.
  - a. Hardness results performed on the calibration block must be within the limits specified on the calibration block.
  - b. If the machine is not in calibration do not continue, and calibrate machine accordingly.
50. Perform hardness test in accordance with JIS C standard at the center of the two machined measurement surfaces. Five (5) separate and discrete tests are to be done at the center of the machined surface.
51. Record each of the five (5) measurements and determine and record an average of the (five) 5 measurements.
52. If the core center hardness is to be determined, proceed to the Core Center Hardness protocol and complete the core center hardness test.
53. Using the determined average hardness on each of the measurement surfaces, calculate the standard deviation of the averages for each of the respective measurement surfaces.

**PRO V1x**

54. For **Pro V1x** model golf balls, using the calculated diameter of the core from Steps 1 through 6, calculate the core radius.
  - a. Record the core radius.
  - b. For the purposes of measuring the hardness distribution of the Pro V1x golf balls, the depths of measurement are laid out below:
    - i. First measurement depth is 3.5 mm from the core surface.
    - ii. Second measurement depth is at the surface of the center portion of the core (i.e. gray color portion in model ◀ Pro V1x-332 ▶ and blue color portion in model ◀●Pro V1x 332●▶).<sup>3</sup>
    - iii. Third measurement depth is at 6.4 mm below the second measurement depth.

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<sup>3</sup> The target diameter of the core is 1.55 inches whereas the target diameter of the inner portion of the core is 1.0 inches. Accordingly, the third measurement depth is approximately 7.0 mm below the surface of the core.

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- iv. Fourth measurement depth is at the center of the inner portion of the core, determined based on the calculated radius of the core.
- 55. The core surface hardness is to be measured and recorded in accordance with the Core Surface Hardness protocol, set forth above.
- 56. Select a portion of the core to be removed, and mark the surface of the core.
- 57. Mount the core on a platen surface of a Bridgeport, or comparable, end-mill machine, using a mounting structure which minimizes squeeze of the core, while maintaining the core in a fixed position. The area marked in Step 56 shall be facing vertically and represent the highest point on the core's circumference.

ONCE THE FOLLOWING MACHINING PROCESS BEGINS ALL OF THE FOLLOWING HARDNESS PROTOCOL MUST BE COMPLETED WITHIN 24 HOURS.

- 58. Using the Bridgeport, or comparable, end-mill machine, machine off the section of the core selected for removal to a depth of 0.3 to 0.4 mm above the first measurement depth of the core.
  - a. The entire depth should not be machined off in one pass, but a plurality of passes in which a set depth of material is removed in each pass. As the desired cut depth approaches each pass should not exceed a depth of more than 1 mm to ensure accuracy.
  - b. A cutting head and cutting speed must be used to minimize burrs and heat generation during the machining process.
  - c. At least 10 seconds should elapse between each machining pass to allow for heat dissipation.
- 59. To reach the final depth of the first measurement depth, the machined surface is to be buffed with no GREATER than 220 grit sandpaper, or comparable abrasive, to provide smooth surface free of machining marks and/or grooves. The buffing step must be done at a slow speed to minimize heat generation at the surface of the core, and a depth of no more than 0.05 mm for any one pass.
  - a. At least 10 seconds should elapse between each machining pass to allow for heat dissipation.
- 60. Locate and identify the center of the first measurement surface and mark the center.
- 61. Record the new ball diameter.

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- a. The tolerance of the first measurement surface is +/- 0.2 mm. If the amount of material removed is within this tolerance, the test may proceed.
62. At a position 180 degrees from the first measurement surface, create the second measurement surface repeating Steps 58 through 59 above.
63. Locate and identify the center of the second measurement surface and mark the center.
64. Record the new ball diameter.
  - a. The tolerance of the second measurement surface is +/- 0.1 mm. If the amount of material removed is within this tolerance, the test may proceed.
65. Verify hardness tester accuracy by performing hardness testing on calibration block.
  - a. Hardness results performed on the calibration block must be within the limits specified on the calibration block.
  - b. If the machine is not in calibration do not continue, and calibrate machine accordingly.
66. Perform hardness test in accordance with JIS C standard at the center of the first two measurement surfaces. Five (5) separate and discrete tests are to be done at the center of the machined surface.
67. Record each of the (five) 5 measurements and determine and record an average of the (five) 5 measurements.
68. Machine the second measurement surface to the third measurement surface following the same procedures set forth above in Steps 58 - 61.
69. Perform hardness test in accordance with JIS C standard at the center of the machined surface of the third measurement surface. Five (5) separate and discrete tests are to be done at the center of the machined surface.
70. Record each of the (five) 5 measurements and determine and record an average of the (five) 5 measurements.
71. For the fourth measurement surface (core center hardness), proceed to the Core Center Hardness protocol and complete the core center hardness test.
72. Using the determined average hardness on each of the measurement surfaces, calculate the standard deviation of the averages for each of the respective measurement surfaces.

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**TABLE VI**  
**CORE HARDNESS RESULTS (JIS C)**  
**Pro V1, Pro V1 Star, NXT, DT So/Lo and Pinnacle Exception**

Ball Model		Surface (JIS C)	Within 5mm of Core Surface (JIS C)	Difference - Surface and 5mm (JIS C)	Core Center (JIS C)
<b>P2</b>	Average	82.8			63.3
	Standard Deviation	1.06			1.41
	Minimum	81.4			61.4
	Maximum	84.2			65.2
<b>PS</b>	Average	86.8			
	Standard Deviation	1.13			
	Minimum	85.0			
	Maximum	90.2			
<b>N2</b>	Average	81.8	77.3	5.4	60.4
	Standard Deviation	1.10	0.85	0.88	1.55
	Minimum	79.4	74.6	4.0	56.4
	Maximum	84.8	79.0	7.2	64.0
<b>N1</b>	Average	83.2			61.7
	Standard Deviation	0.74			1.29
	Minimum	82.0			59.6
	Maximum	85.0			64.2
<b>D2</b>	Average	82.1	78.4	5.5	61.8
	Standard Deviation	3.39	1.49	1.16	1.38
	Minimum	71.4	74.0	2.0	58.8
	Maximum	86.6	79.4	6.8	65.0
<b>D1</b>	Average	85.3			63.1
	Standard Deviation	0.33			1.67
	Minimum	84.6			59.4
	Maximum	86.0			66.4
<b>E2</b>	Average	79.1	78.9	4.6	61.0
	Standard Deviation	3.21	1.77	1.35	1.29
	Minimum	72.8	74.2	1.2	59.0
	Maximum	83.0	80.2	6.2	64.2
<b>E1</b>	Average	83.9	79.0	5.0	61.9
	Standard Deviation	1.01	0.56	0.64	1.41
	Minimum	82.0	78.0	3.2	58.6
	Maximum	85.6	80.0	6.0	65.0

# EXHIBIT 4

**REDACTED**

# EXHIBIT 5



**REDACTED**

# EXHIBIT 6

**REDACTED**

# EXHIBIT 7

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**E.I. DUPONT DE NEMOURS & CO., Plaintiff, v. MILLENNIUM CHEMICALS, INC. and MILLENNIUM INORGANIC CHEMICALS, INC., Defendants.**

**C.A. No. 97-237-SLR**

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

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**August 2, 1999, Decided**

**NOTICE:** [\*1] FOR ELECTRONIC PUBLICATION ONLY

**DISPOSITION:** Defendant's motion for summary judgment and plaintiff's motion to dismiss denied and plaintiff's motion to strike granted in part and denied in part.

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**JUDGES:** Sue L. Robinson, District Judge.

**OPINION BY:** Sue L. Robinson

**OPINION:**

**MEMORANDUM OPINION**

Dated: August 2, 1999  
Wilmington, Delaware

**Robinson, District Judge**

**I. INTRODUCTION**

Plaintiff E.I. DuPont De Nemours & Co. filed this patent infringement action against Millennium Chemicals,

Inc. and Millennium Inorganic Chemicals, Inc. (collectively, "defendant") on May 1, 1997. Plaintiff is incorporated under the laws of Delaware and has its principal place of business in Wilmington, Delaware. (D. [\*2] I. 137, P 2) Defendant is also a Delaware corporation with its principal places of business in Iselin, New Jersey and Hunt Valley, Maryland. (D.I. 137, PP 3-4) The court has jurisdiction over this action under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338. Venue is proper in this judicial district by virtue of 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391(c) and 1400(b).

Currently before the court is defendant's motion for summary judgment (D.I. 92) and plaintiff's motion to dismiss, or in the alternative, to strike in whole or in part defendant's second and third counterclaims (D.I. 168). In its motion, defendant argues that plaintiff's patents violate the definiteness requirement of 35 U.S.C. § 112 and therefore are invalid. For its part, plaintiff seeks dismissal of defendant's second and third counterclaims as untimely; in the alternative, plaintiff moves the court to strike all or part of defendant's counterclaims for failure to comply with the applicable statute of limitations. For the following reasons, the court shall deny both defendant's motion for summary judgment and plaintiff's motion to dismiss and grant in part plaintiff's motion to strike.

**[\*3] II. BACKGROUND**

Plaintiff is the assignee of U.S. Patent Nos. 5,631,310 ("the '310 patent") and 5,889,090 ("the '090 patent"). n1 These patents disclose processes for manufacturing "highly loaded" silanized titanium dioxide pigments in polyethylene or other polymer concentrates. Manufacturers use titanium dioxide pigment, which is white, to color various products, including plastics (such as trash bags and diaper linings), paints, and paper. This suit involves the use of these pigments in the plastic film market. (D.I. 160, P 49) There are three steps involved in coloring plastics using titanium dioxide pigment. First, the titanium dioxide pigment is coated with silanes or other materials. Second, the coated titanium dioxide

pigment is shipped to a masterbatch, or concentrate, maker who forms the masterbatch by adding plastic to the pigment. Third, the masterbatch maker sells this concentrate to a plastic manufacturer who, in turn, adds more plastic to the concentrate and extrudes the pigmented plastic into film for use in various consumer products. (D.I. 93 at 4)

n1 Initially, plaintiff alleged that defendant induced infringement of U.S. Patent No. 5,607,994 (the " '994 patent"), a product patent disclosing a "polyethylene matrix consisting essentially of polyethylene and about 50 to about 87% by weight silanized [titanium dioxide] pigment." (D.I. 93, Ex. A, '994 patent, col. 8, lns. 20-23) After defendant filed the instant motion for summary judgment, plaintiff filed a second amended complaint (D.I. 137), which substituted the '090 process patent for the '994 patent. Plaintiff appears to have abandoned suit over the '994 patent, focussing instead on defendant's alleged inducement of infringement of the '090 and '310 patents. Defendant's instant motion for summary judgment addresses only the '994 and '310 patents. Because the '994 patent is no longer the subject of suit, the court shall address only defendant's arguments touching on the '310 patent.

[\*4]

In the past, the use of titanium dioxide pigment in plastics had several processing disadvantages and often resulted in product quality problems. The processing disadvantages included poor dispersability of the pigment, high energy requirements for mixing the pigment, and low productivity. The pigment concentrate also occasionally produced "lacing" (holes or tears in the plastic film) and noxious gases or rendered the film resistant to printing. (D.I. 97 at 5) In response to consumer demand for less problematic pigmentation methods, both plaintiff and defendant developed "highly loaded" preparations of coated, silanized titanium dioxide pigment, which purportedly reduce the aforementioned processing and product quality disadvantages. In its second amended complaint, plaintiff alleges that defendant has induced infringement of the '310 and '090 patents through the manufacture, advertisement, promotion, and sale of silanized titanium dioxide pigment under the trade name "TiONA(R) RCL-188" (hereafter, "RCL-188") for use by masterbatch manufacturers in polyethylene concentrates. (D.I. 137, PP 5-8)

### III. DISCUSSION

#### A. Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment

Defendant [\*5] argues that several terms used in the claims of the '310 patent are ambiguous and, therefore, are invalid for indefiniteness. Defendant points to the '310 patent's use of "coating," "mixture," and "at least one" as examples of such indefiniteness. In interrogatories, defendant asked plaintiff to clarify the meaning of each of these disputed terms, but plaintiff refused "on the ground that it is premature in seeking the contentions of [plaintiff] during the initial phase of discovery." (D.I. 93, Ex. C at 2, 4, 5) The '310 patent employs these allegedly indefinite terms in the following manner.

#### 1. "Coating"

The '310 patent uses "coating" as a verb to describe the process of coating the pigment with "at least one organosilicon compound." (D.I. 93, Ex. B, col. 8, lns. 24-25, 58) Defendant contends, without supporting evidence, that the ambiguity of "coating"

lies in the fact that the chemical composition of the silane, if added to water, may change at the very least from (i) the time the ingredients are mixed to (ii) the time they attach to the pigment.

(D.I. 93 at 6) Due to this purported ambiguity, it is allegedly impossible to determine whether the '310 patent [\*6] covers the formula for silane as it is added to water or the formula for silane as (or after) it coats the titanium dioxide pigment. (D.I. 93 at 7)

#### 2. "Mixture"

Claim 3 of the '310 patent discloses a process for coating a titanium dioxide pigment with an organosilicon compound "comprising a **mixture** of . . . (a) at least one silane . . . and (b) . . . at least one polysiloxane . . . ." (D.I. 93, Ex. B, col. 8, lns. 59-60; col. 9, ln. 5) Defendant asserts that the ambiguity lies in the patent's failure to claim the proportions of silane to polysiloxane which qualify as a mixture. (D.I. 93 at 7)

#### 3. "At least one"

Finally, the '310 patent describes the pigment coating as comprising "at least one" silane or mixtures of "at least one" silane and "at least one" polysiloxane. (D.I. 93, Ex. B., col. 8, ln. 24, 60; col. 9, ln. 5) Defendant argues that this phrase is indefinite because the claims do not provide the meaning of, or the units of measurements associated with, the phrase "at least one." (D.I. 93 at 8)

On a motion for summary judgment, the movant bears the burden of proving that no genuine issue of material fact exists. See *Matsushita Elec. Indus. Co. v. Zenith Radio Corp.*, 475 U.S. 574, 586, 89 L. Ed. 2d 538, 106 S.

*Ct. 1348 (1986).* [\*7] A court shall grant summary judgment only if "the pleadings, depositions, answers to interrogatories, and admissions on file, together with the affidavits, if any, show that there is no genuine issue as to any material fact and that the moving party is entitled to judgment as a matter of law." *Fed.R.Civ.P. 56(c)*. If a moving party fails to establish the absence of a genuine issue of fact, "summary judgment must be denied **even if no opposing evidentiary matter is presented.**" *Adickes v. S. H. Kress & Co.*, 398 U.S. 144, 160, 26 L. Ed. 2d 142, 90 S. Ct. 1598 (1970) (quoting Advisory Committee Note on 1963 Amendment to Rule 56(e)).

In the context of the instant motion, defendant must demonstrate that there is no genuine issue of material fact with respect to the indefiniteness of the '310 patent claims. A patent claim is indefinite and, therefore, invalid if the claims fail to "particularly point[] out and distinctly claim[] the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention." 35 U.S.C. § 112. Although compliance with § 112 is a question of law, see *Orthokinetics, Inc. v. Safety Travel Chairs, Inc.*, 806 F.2d 1565, 1576 (*Fed. Cir. 1986*), [\*8] it rests on a determination of "whether one skilled in the art would understand the bounds of the claim when read in light of the specification." *Miles Labs., Inc. v. Shandon, Inc.*, 997 F.2d 870, 875 (*Fed. Cir. 1993*). "If the claims read in light of the specification reasonably apprise those skilled in the art of the scope of the invention, § 112 demands no more." *Id.* The degree of precision necessary to satisfy § 112 depends upon the subject matter and cannot be viewed in the abstract. See *id.*; *Shatterproof Glass Corp. v. Libbey-Owens Ford Co.*, 758 F.2d 613, 624 (*Fed. Cir. 1985*).

At issue, then, is whether one skilled in the art would find the '310 patent's use of these disputed terms indefinite. Defendant, however, offers neither evidence of the requisite degree of skill in the art nor evidence of how one skilled in the art would interpret the disputed terms. Instead, defendant merely argues in rhetorical fashion that the aforementioned terms are indefinite. Defendant cannot prevail by arguing that these terms are indefinite to **any** reader of the patent; rather, defendant must demonstrate that those **skilled in the art** would find [\*9] them indefinite. See *Miles Labs.*, 997 F.2d at 875. Terms that appear facially ambiguous to the lay reader may be perfectly definite to those versed in the technology at issue. See, e.g., *Andrew Corp. v. Gabriel Elecs., Inc.*, 847 F.2d 819, 821 (*Fed. Cir. 1988*) (explaining that terms such as "closely approximate," "approach each other," and "substantially equal" are upheld by courts "when serving reasonably to describe the claimed subject matter to those of skill in the field of the invention"); *Seattle Box Co. v. Industrial Crating & Packing, Inc.*, 731 F.2d 818, 826 (*Fed. Cir. 1984*) (finding phrase "substantially equal to" sufficiently definite). On a motion for summary judgment,

abstract and rhetorical arguments in support of indefiniteness simply do not satisfy defendant's burden of proof.

Defendant also argues that the court should infer indefiniteness from plaintiff's refusal, in its responses to defendant's interrogatories, to clarify the meaning of the disputed terms. Neither the law nor logic supports such an inferential leap. On a motion for summary judgment, the nonmoving party need not present opposing evidence of definiteness [\*10] where, as here, the movant has failed to show the absence of genuine factual disputes. See *Adickes*, 398 U.S. at 160. Because defendant has failed to demonstrate the absence of genuine issues of material fact with respect to whether one skilled in the art would understand the disputed terms, the court shall deny defendant's motion for summary judgment.

## B. Plaintiff's Motion to Dismiss or, in the Alternative, to Strike

Plaintiff moves the court, pursuant to *Fed.R.Civ.P. 12(b)(6)*, to dismiss defendant's second and third counterclaims as untimely compulsory counterclaims filed without leave of court. In the alternative, plaintiff moves pursuant to *Fed.R.Civ.P. 12(f)* to strike defendant's second and third counterclaims as barred by the Delaware statute of limitations. (D.I. 168) Defendant asserted these counterclaims in its May 14, 1999 answer to plaintiff's second amended complaint. (D.I. 160) Defendant's second counterclaim alleges that plaintiff violated § 43(a) of the Lanham Act by making false and deceptive statements about defendant's RCL-188 product. (D.I. 160, PP 71-73) The third counterclaim asserts a state law unfair competition claim based on these same [\*11] allegations. (D.I. 160, PP 74-75)

### 1. Plaintiff's Motion to Dismiss

In support of its motion, plaintiff argues that defendant's second and third counterclaims are compulsory and, therefore, should have been asserted earlier than in its answer to plaintiff's second amended complaint. Plaintiff, however, offers no compelling justification for departing from the well established rule that a defendant may include counterclaims in its answer to an amended complaint. See *Standard Chlorine of Del., Inc. v. Sinibaldi*, 1995 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 13913, Civ. A. No. 91-188- SLR, 1995 WL 562285, at \*2 (D. Del. Aug. 24, 1995); *Joseph Bancroft & Sons Co. v. M. Lowenstein & Sons, Inc.*, 50 F.R.D. 415, 419 (D. Del. 1970). Courts in this district have reasoned that, because the amended pleading relates back to the date of the original pleading, the amending pleader "can hardly be heard to complain that claims filed against him are improper because they should have been asserted in response to his original pleading." *Joseph Bancroft & Sons*, 50 F.R.D. at 419.

In the present case, plaintiff filed its second amended complaint on April 7, 1999. (D.I. 137) In due course, defendant [\*12] then filed its answer, which included the instant counterclaims. Under the settled law of this judicial district, defendant's counterclaims were filed in a timely manner. Thus, the court shall deny plaintiff's motion to dismiss.

## 2. Plaintiff's Motion to Strike

There remains, however, the issue of whether the relevant statute of limitations bars defendant from relying on some or all of the allegations asserted in support of its second and third counterclaims. The Lanham Act provides no statute of limitations. Generally, when a federal statute provides no statute of limitations federal courts look to the applicable state statute of limitations for guidance. See *Beauty Time, Inc. v. Vu Skin Sys., Inc.*, 118 F.3d 140, 143 (3d Cir. 1997). Accordingly, the court must look to the Delaware statute of limitations for the relevant limitations period for both defendant's Lanham Act and state unfair competition counterclaims.

The Delaware statute of limitations provides that "no action based on a statute, and no action to recover damages caused by an injury unaccompanied with force . . . shall be brought after the expiration of 3 years from the accruing of the cause of [\*13] such action. . . ." 10 Del. C. § 8106. Because defendant's second counterclaim is "an action based on a statute" and defendant's third counterclaim is "an action to recover damages caused by an injury unaccompanied by force," Delaware's three year statute of limitations applies in the absence of an equitable exception.

Most of defendant's allegations fall within this three year period. Indeed, defendant asserts that plaintiff currently "is informing its customers and potential customers -- all of whom are either customers or potential customers of [defendant] -- that the use of [defendant's] RCL-188 product will infringe [plaintiff's] patents, even though [plaintiff] knows . . . that its patents are invalid and unenforceable." (D.I. 160, P 63) Although defendant provides no specific dates for plaintiff's allegedly deceptive statements, defendant has asserted an ongoing pattern of misrepresentations and disparagement of its RCL-188 pigment by plaintiff. As such, these allegations fall within the limitations period. n2 Insofar as defendant relies on plaintiff's false statements about defendant's RCL-188 product, the statute of limitations does not bar defendant's second and [\*14] third counterclaims.

n2 Defendant need not, as plaintiff argues, specify the exact date of these alleged falsehoods.

Defendant, however, also refers to a July 1995 incident in support of its second and third counterclaims. Specifically, defendant alleges that

in or about July 1995, [plaintiff] distributed to customers and potential customers a brochure comparing two of its titanium dioxide products to [defendant's competing product, RCL-4]. In that brochure, [plaintiff] intentionally made the false claims that its R-101 and R-104 products had significantly better vinyl tinting strength than RCL-4 and better dispersability than RCL-4. In fact, [plaintiff's] own internal testing documents show otherwise. The brochure also falsely claimed that [defendant's] RCL-4 product contained methyl stearate -- a compound disfavored by customers -- when, in fact, RCL-4 contains no methyl stearate.

(D.I. 160, P 65) Because defendant filed its counterclaims in May of 1999, events relating to this 1995 [\*15] brochure fall outside the three year limitations period. In the absence of some equitable exception, defendant cannot rely upon this 1995 brochure to support its second and third counterclaims.

Defendant claims that the "time of discovery rule" provides such an exception. The "time of discovery rule" tolls the statute of limitations where "an inherently unknowable injury . . . has been suffered by one blamelessly ignorant of the act or omission and injury complained of, and the harmful effect . . . develops gradually over a period of time . . . ." *Cavalier Group v. Strescon Indus., Inc.*, 782 F. Supp. 946, 951 (D. Del. 1992) (internal quotations and citation omitted). The statute of limitations period is tolled until a person of ordinary intelligence and prudence would have had facts sufficient to put them on notice of an injury. Id. Defendant claims in its answering brief, but not in its counterclaims, that it was "blamelessly ignorant" of plaintiff's allegedly misleading brochure until discovery commenced in the present litigation. (D.I. 176 at 11)

The court finds that the "time of discovery" rule is not applicable to the instant case. A misleading product brochure [\*16] is not an "inherently unknowable injury," especially when the brochure in question was distributed to "potential customers" in a highly competitive market. As such, defendant's counterclaims with respect to this 1995 incident are barred by the statute of limitations. Moreover, the 1995 brochure is irrelevant and immaterial to the issues at bar because it refers to completely different products than those allegedly covered by the '310



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and '090 patents. Accordingly, pursuant to *Fed.R.Civ.P. 12(f)*, the court shall strike P 65 from defendant's second and third counterclaims.

#### **IV. CONCLUSION**

For the aforementioned reasons, the court shall deny defendant's motion for summary judgment and plaintiff's motion to dismiss and grant in part and deny in part plaintiff's motion to strike. An appropriate order shall issue.